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KING'S CONDITION UNCHANGED.

SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT MAINTAINED.

INTERESTING REVIEW OF CASE IN "LANCET."

CONCERN FOR HEART.

London, Dec. 6.
It was authoritatively stated at four o'clock this afternoon that the King's condition had shown no change since the morning, when the bulletin reported a lower temperature, a slight general improvement, and the localisation of the infection, though it remained severe.

At 8.20 p.m. the following bulletin, signed by Sir Stanley Hewett, Sir Parquhar Buzzard, Sir Humphry Rolleston and Lord Dawson, was posted on the Palace railings:—

"The King's general condition remains the same as this morning. The localisation of the infection at the base of the right side of the chest is rather more defined which conforms to the progress of the illness during the last two days."

A reassuring interpretation is placed on the morning bulletin, supported by the later news, the Royal Household drawing attention to the omission of any suggestion of anxiety concerning the heart.

The appearance of the bulletin on the Palace railings brightened the faces of the thousands of watchers, who had assembled as usual in spite of a drizzling rain, succeeded by a heavy fog.

Fog Defences.

Owing to the bad conditions last night, the Palace electricians installed special apparatus to prevent the fog from penetrating the double windows of the sick-room.

The crowds at the Palace gates to-day were eager, not merely to read the bulletins, but to see whether the Queen drives out, and when Her Majesty, accompanied by Princess Mary, drove out of Buckingham Palace, a wonderful greeting was accorded, the Queen smiling and waving in response.

Indication that there is some relief from anxiety in Royal circles is afforded by the official announcement that Princess Mary now hopes to carry out her engagements at Northampton on Saturday afternoon, the abandonment of which had been contemplated.

Medical Statement.

The *Lancet* reviewing the progress of the King's illness in its issue to-day, says:—

"As unfounded conjecture is not impossible, we offer the following information being authorised to say that the essential facts are correct."

"As early as possible, a blood culture was taken and the result was positive, the organism grown being coccia in character."

"Blood counts have shown leucocytosis of the polymorphonuclear variety."

"Radiology has been useful and the clear pictures obtained have confirmed the clinical evidence that the lower two-thirds of the right lung was the area involved."

"There is, up to the present, no appreciable pleural effusion, but the plastic pleurisy described in the bulletin has unfortunately extended to the diaphragm."

"At the time of writing, the physical signs in the chest have diminished and the corresponding local symptoms have improved."

"Pleural effusion, however, may still develop, as there is still ebb and flow."

The *Lancet* also makes reference to the anxious problem presented by a strain in the heart muscle in a patient over sixty years of age.

Royal Christmas.

The Royal Christmas is usually spent quietly at Sandringham, but it is now arranged that the Queen and Princess Mary will remain at Buckingham Palace.

In the meantime, the Prince of Wales is hurrying towards home on board H.M.S. *Enterprise*, which is expected to reach Suez (Continued on Page 9.)

GRIM OUTRAGE IN SHANGHAI.

MOTOR-BUS DRIVER KILLED IN COLD BLOOD.

FOOTPADS' ATTACK.

Shanghai, Dec. 7.
A dastardly criminal outrage, almost unique in the annals of Shanghai crime, and reminiscent of the Wild West, occurred last night when a motor-bus was held up by six armed highwaymen, who murdered the driver and shot the conductor, leaving him seriously wounded.

The desperadoes, after seizing the latter's takings, went through the passengers with a "small comb" and gained a haul amounting to approximately \$1,000.

The driver of the motor-bus was murdered in cold-blood and the conductor was shot in the same way, being given no opportunity of surrendering his bag.

A European lady was among the passengers on the bus, and she was struck a brutal blow in the face on offering remonstrance. The highwaymen got clear away after the attack, but the Police are making a vigorous search. The bulk of the passengers, who related the sensational story to the Police, were mafios and trainers returning from the race-course stables.—Our Own Correspondent.

SHANGHAI'S OPIUM SMUGGLERS.

OVER THIRTY THOUSAND EMPLOYED.

Nanking, Dec. 6.
One of the sensational revelations made in the report of their enquiry into the opium scandal in Shanghai by Mr. Chang Chi-kiang, Chairman of the Nanking Opium Suppression Committee, and the two other Government envoys, is that there are over 30,000 opium smugglers earning a livelihood in Shanghai. It is realised that it will be more difficult, if not impossible, to eradicate the opium evil and smuggling activities in Shanghai for some considerable time.

In order to strengthen the anti-opium campaign in Shanghai, the report proposes that an Anti-Opium Committee be established by the Shanghai Municipal Government, and that delegates from various leading Chinese organisations be appointed to serve thereon.

AN ANGLO-AMERICAN NAVAL PARLEY.

INTELLIGENT ANTICIPATION BY MR. KELLOGG?

Washington, Dec. 6.
Mr. Frank Kellogg, the Secretary of State, has declared that although he has not received any communication from Britain, he would not be surprised if Britain sought to reopen negotiations with the United States for an understanding on the question of cruiser tonnage.

Mr. Kellogg is optimistic on the subject, but says he is not yet aware of any definite move.—*Reuter's American Service.*

POISON GAS IN WARFARE.

BRITAIN WAITING ON OTHER STATES.

London, Dec. 6.
Mr. G. Locker-Lampson, Foreign Under-Secretary, stated in the House of Commons to-day that the Geneva Protocol prohibiting the use of poison gas in war had been ratified by only six States.

The British Government were not prepared to ratify the Protocol unless all the other signatories were prepared to do so.—*British Wireless.*

THE LEAGUE COUNCIL.

London, Dec. 6.
According to present arrangements, Sir Austen Chamberlain will leave London on Saturday afternoon to attend the League Council meeting at Lugano.—*British Wireless.*

CHINA'S LATEST TREATIES.

TOO MUCH SAID TO BE CONCEDED.

TALK OF REVISING BELGO-ITALIAN AGREEMENTS.

MARSHAL FENG ANGRY

Nanking, Dec. 6.
Complaints that too many concessions have been made to Italy and Belgium under the newly signed Treaties were made at a meeting of National Government leaders held here to-day, when the Treaties were discussed at considerable length.

Practically all the Government leaders were present at the meeting, these including Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, Dr. C. T. Wang (Foreign Minister), Dr. Wang Chung-hui (Chief of the Judicial Council) and many others.

To Much Conceded.

Mr. Tsai Yuan-pai, who was the first speaker, said there were several points in the new Treaties which needed serious consideration before ratification. As an instance, he cited the clauses granting a continuation of consular jurisdiction from the date of signing up to December 31st, 1929.

The opinion was expressed by Mr. Tsai that too many concessions were being made by these clauses. He also found fault with the clause dealing with the Chinese Customs and asserted that the freedom given in the two Treaties for foreigners to trade, live and purchase land in China did not adhere to the National Government's desire for the conclusion of new and "equal" treaties.

Marshal Feng Annoyed.

Throughout the meeting, Marshal Chiang kept silent, while it is said that Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang was much annoyed over the attacks made on his nominee, Dr. C. T. Wang.

Commenting on the speech made by Mr. Tsai Yuan-pai, a leading member of the Nanking Central Political Council said, after the meeting, that on account of the comparatively small number of Italian and Belgian nationals in China and the fact that these two countries do not enjoy much trade with China, even if the Chinese Foreign Minister had appeared to make too many concessions in the treaties, the question was an unimportant one.

A Precedent?

It was, however, to be remembered that the results might be far-reaching considering that the American, British, French and Japanese would undoubtedly ask for like treatment. The Japanese problem was a most complex one and therefore the ratification of these Italian and Belgian treaties was a matter of much importance. He added that if Italy and Belgium fail to see eye to eye with the National Government and refuse to accept a revision, the Nanking Government would not give its final sanction to the Treaties, which will then become null and void.

Italy's Treaty.

Regarding the above developments, it was reported last week that Italy had followed the lead of Belgium in agreeing to abandon consular jurisdiction over Italian subjects in China. The text of the new treaty signed between Italy and China on November 27 reveals that the Italian Government recognizes China's right to tariff autonomy, and also agrees to relinquish extraterritoriality from January 1, 1930.

The declarations accompanying the Italian treaty included an important proviso not included in the Belgian declaration.

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ALLEGED SWINDLE ON BIG BANKS.

WARRANT FOR ARREST.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK'S CLAIM.

HUGE SUM INVOLVED.

Rangoon, Dec. 6.
A gigantic swindle in which the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, thought to be losers to the extent of approximately \$330,000, are one of the lightest sufferers, is alleged against one of the most prominent Chinese merchants in Burma, a former member of the Legislative Council and a leading public man, named Keng Beng-choung.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Keng Beng-choung, who was a partner in the Beng Huat Company, rice merchants, at the instance of the Netherlands Bank, Lloyd's Bank and the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, who have alleged that he cheated them to the extent of 78 lakhs of rupees.

According to the allegations of the banks, Keng Beng-choung obtained credit advances against the deposit of delivery orders for ready stock rice which was never in existence.

The banks mentioned applied to the High Court on September 7th, to have the Beng Huat firm adjudicated insolvent, and when the case was heard the Netherlands Bank claimed to be a creditor to the extent of £370,000 (50 lakhs of rupees), Lloyd's Bank to the extent of £240,000 (32 lakhs) and the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to the extent of £33,000 (4½ lakhs of rupees).—*Reuter.*

CHINA MERCHANTS' IN SORRY STATE.

SHAREHOLDERS' PETITION TO NANKING.

Shanghai, Dec. 7.

The internal trouble in the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, which developed as the result of a dispute over the Director-Generalship, has extended remarkably in the past day or so, and the shareholders of the company, who have become more and more restive, have now formed an association to protect their interests.

The first move of the Shareholders' Association was revealed to-day when it was learned that a petition has been despatched to Nanking, urging the Government to call a shareholders' meeting, which was promised in June, a promise not fulfilled.

The petition emphasises that if the company as a private enterprise is subordinated to Government expediency, it will throttle industry and kill initiative.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

DISASTROUS FLOODS IN SMYRNA.

LOWER PART OF TOWN SUBMERGED.

Pera, Dec. 6.
Widespread devastation and loss of life, not yet fully estimated, have been caused by floods in Smyrna.

The lower part of the town is submerged to a depth of over five feet, whilst the basements and lower storeys of dwelling-houses are awash.

Residents of the affected area became panic-stricken and took refuge on roofs and tree-tops. A number of houses have collapsed.—*Reuter.*

KOWLOON COURT CAT.

MANY ENQUIRIES AFTER ITS HEALTH.

The safety of the cat which was trapped in the Kowloon Magistrate's recently, and which was liberated on Wednesday has apparently interested local residents.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning intimated that he had been inundated with queries as to its safety, and asked the Press to mention the fact that the cat was safely rescued and was quite happy.

VESTRIS SINKING FINDINGS.

LACK OF LEADERSHIP CRITICISED.

SENSATIONAL ALLEGATIONS NOT CONFIRMED.

MISUNDERSTOOD RULE

New York, Dec. 6.
The serious allegations made by surviving passengers of the Vestris disaster concerning the seaworthiness of the lifeboats, the lack of discipline in the launching, and the delay in sending out S.O.S. are all dealt with in the reports submitted by Captain McConkey, the Marine Superintendent of the Cunard Line, and Captain Jessup, formerly of the U. S. Navy, who sat as nautical advisers on the special inquiry in New York.

The sensational and exaggerated stories of mutiny, cowardice and disorder on board the Vestris when the situation became critical are not confirmed by the nautical advisers, though both are in agreement that the S.O.S. messages should have been sent out at least six hours earlier.

Very Reluctant.

Capt. McConkey is very reticent, and does not fix the responsibility upon anybody, but he expresses the opinion that the life-saving equipment of the Vestris was not fully and efficiently used.

He also believes that women and children were lost in the disaster owing to a misinterpretation of the rule "Women and children first."

Meaning of Rule.

Capt. McConkey says that this rule means that "women and children shall be first in the respective boats according to their allotted stations, and not that they shall all be in the first boats to leave the ship."

Captain Jessup criticises the "lack of leadership" on board the Vestris, and says there was no sign apparently of any organisation in the loading and lowering of the lifeboats.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Tragic Affair.

The loss of the Vestris was one of the most tragic episodes of the sea in recent years, and the causes have not yet been accurately explained.

Five days before she was lost, the Vestris underwent a complete inspection and received a certificate testifying to her seaworthiness and lawful equipment.

A graphic account of the sinking was given in hospital by Mr. Paul Dana, the South American representative of the Radio Corporation of America, who was picked up with the stewardess, Mrs. Clara Ball, after floating in the water for 22 hours.

Terrible Storm.

Mr. Dana said that on the night of 10th November in the worst storm in his experience, the "Vestris" was struck by two waves simultaneously at about midnight.

The ship quivered from end to end and he believed that the vessel then started to leak.

Sunday was still rougher and most of the passengers felt extremely sea sick.

The ship listed and the furniture in the dining room and smoking room slid to starboard and crashed around.

When he woke on Monday morning, there was water up to the level of the windows of his cabin and the floor was under water.

Scene on Deck.

His steward came in groaning. His shoulder had been wrenched, and he said that the hold was filling with water and that he had been bailing all through the night with a bucket.

The cargo had shifted too. Mr. Dana went on deck where he found the crew throwing the cargo overboard and a knot of men watching very much scared.

Some of them were wearing life belts. The officers were cheery, but very reticent.

He did not know till the "Vestris" had foundered that she had sent out S. O. S.

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SHANGHAI SWEEP TICKET.

TROUBLE OVER PRIZE OF \$224,000.

LITIGATION LIKELY.

Trouble has arisen in Shanghai over the distribution of the cash prize of \$224,000 attached to the winning ticket of the Champions "A" sweep at the autumn meeting, according to reports in the Chinese newspapers, and is likely to lead to litigation.

The ticket is reported to have been held by 17 Chinese of the Hung Foong native bank, Tientsin Road, and was bought for them by a member of the Shanghai Race Club said to be working in a foreign bank. Each of the 17 participants in the prize has engaged a lawyer to defend his interests, and a legal process of some proportions is likely.

According to the local newspapers, some trouble was caused regarding the customary 10 per cent. commission generally paid by the winner of the prize to the man who purchases the ticket for him. Most of the 17 joint holders of the ticket were willing to give this money for "good loss," but one or two of them held out and refused to pay.

A Chinese go-between was employed, and it is through his action that proceedings may shortly be heard at the Provisional Court. The man who owned 40 per cent. of the winning ticket, also held the ticket, and he employed the go-between to take the ticket to the man who bought it in order to obtain his signature. The go-between succeeded in arranging for the signature, but on his return he is alleged to have reported to the syndicate that he had paid the foreigner 20 per cent. or \$44,000 for the commission. Investigations followed and it was proved that the newspapers state—that the go-between paid the foreigner at the bank only the customary 10 per cent. commission. That is why the 17 lawyers are now looking for the go-between.

SHANGHAI TRAMWAY STRIKE.

FOREIGNERS MANNING THE ESSENTIAL SERVICES.

Shanghai, Dec. 7.
Foreigners are now manning essential services in the French Concession in an effort to break the strike of the French Tramway Company's employees.

The Company has declined to accept the overtures of the local branch of the Kuomintang Party, which has offered to negotiate on behalf of the strikers. The Company repudiates the status of the Kuomintang.

It is authoritatively stated that the Tramway Company is insisting upon the return of the strikers before entering into negotiation. The radicals are now attempting to involve the Settlement workers in the dispute.—*Reuter.*

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE.

NO CHANGE OF POLICY CONTEMPLATED.

London, Dec. 6.
The Admiralty denies that any change of policy is in contemplation with regard to the Singapore Naval Base.

It adds that the report that a change is impending can only be attributed to a belated reference to the Government's acceptance of the scheme and the retarded progress with the Base which was announced by the First Lord of the Admiralty when introducing the Navy Estimates in Parliament on March 14th, 1927.—*Reuter.*

NEW YORK EXPLOSION.

FOUR KILLED AND FIFTEEN MISSING.

New York, Dec. 6.
Four people were killed and six injured, whilst fifteen are missing, as the result of an explosion in a disinfecting plant near East River, between Long Island Sound and New York Harbour.

The windows of houses a hundred yards away were broken as a result of the explosion.—*Reuter's American Service.*

LABOUR RIFT ON SAFEGUARDING.

M.P.'S OPPOSED TO THE TRADE UNIONS.

WILL FIGHT ANY PROPOSAL FOR PROTECTION.

DIVERGENT VIEWS.

London, Dec. 6.
Political circles are much interested in what appears to be a serious divergence of viewpoint on the question of "safeguarding" between the political and industrial sections of the Labour movement, and developments are being watched with the closest attention.

On Monday, it was reported that a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Trade Unions in the wool textile trades, held at Bradford, decided to support another application by the employers for the safeguarding of dress goods under the Safeguarding of Industries Act.

A previous application, which was made in 1925, was opposed at the time by the Trade Unions.

Labour M.P.'s Meet.

The latest development in the matter occurred to-day, when a meeting of Labour Members of Parliament representing the textile contingents of Yorkshire considered the situation created by the decision of the Trade Union to support the application by employers for a duty on certain classes of imported textile goods.

Mr. Philip Snowden, one of the leaders of the Labour Party, who was Chancellor of the Exchequer in the Labour Government and who sits for one of the textile constituencies, presided over the meeting.

Protection Opposed.

At to-day's meeting, the M.P.'s were unanimous in regretting that the textile Unions had abandoned the attitude they took when the application for safeguarding duties on woollen goods was made and rejected in 1925. They were strongly of the opinion that a policy of protective tariffs offers no hope of dealing with the admitted present difficulties of the Yorkshire textile trade.

The meeting unanimously decided to offer uncompromising opposition to any proposal to apply Protection to the woollen industry should it come before Parliament.—*British Wireless.*

Labour Leader's View.

In connexion with the latest developments, it is interesting to recall that Labour discontent found voice at the Birmingham Conference early in October in the complaint that the Party programme committed the "Movement" to the "unmitigated horrors of Free Trade." In the discussion which ensued, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald said:—"The Labour policy is not the Liberal policy, but where we get sweated goods produced under such conditions that our people cannot compete with them without lowering wages, the remedy is not tariffs or safeguarding, but to keep them out altogether."

History of Demand.

There is a history behind Mr. MacDonald's statement of the Labour policy on Protection. At the beginning of the Session of 1925 the Parliamentary Party set up a Committee, with Mr. Snowden in the chair, to consider "the whole question of the attitude of the party towards sweated goods."

It presented a long report, which, in August of that year, was approved at a full party meeting. This document proposed an international boycott of sweated goods by the countries represented on the League of Nations; and as a commencement to limit the definition of sweated goods to those produced in violation of the Washington Treaty.

Only when there were an alternative source of supply, however, would the boycott be possible.

There was likewise a preliminary declaration that tariffs are no remedy for unemployment. The principle of this report was affirmed at the Liverpool Conference in the following October.

Curiously enough, there is no reference to the subject in "Labour and the Nation," which sets out the Socialist programme for the General Election next year.

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INDIAN COMMITTED.

ON CHARGE OF ASSAULTING YOUNG GIRL.

A strong appeal for the acquittal of an Indian constable who appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, on remand, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, was made by Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr., on behalf of the defendant, who was charged with assaulting a young girl on the hillside at Kowloon City.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy prosecuted on behalf of the Crown and Mr. d'Almada (instructed by Mr. Leo d'Almada, Sr.) appeared for the defendant.

In submitting there was no evidence on which the defence had a case to answer, Mr. d'Almada based his contentions on three points. He argued that the girl's evidence was inadmissible because of her inability to express herself intelligently. Very few satisfactory answers were obtained from her. If there was no evidence, said Mr. d'Almada, there could be no corroboration.

Her testimony was delivered through the interpretation of her mother, and it was on the grounds that the interpreter was her mother and would therefore be biased and also on general rules of interpretation that Mr. d'Almada also contended that the girl's evidence could not be accepted.

The second point was the girl's inability to understand the oath or caution administered by the Court.

Thirdly, it was argued that the procedure was irregular because the mother had given her evidence before the girl.

Mr. d'Almada quoted authorities to substantiate his three points raised.

Understood Questions.

In reply Mr. Fitzroy argued that the girl was able to express herself intelligently. The difficulty in the girl's evidence was that of making her understand the questions put to her and not in understanding her replies.

Counsel further submitted that the girl did understand the nature of the caution to tell the truth. The formal oath, said Counsel, was in unusual words, with an extraordinary meaning, and it was difficult for her to repeat them.

Definition of Intelligence.

His Worship said that several times, in reply to questions put to her, she gave perfectly intelligible replies, although they had nothing whatever to do with the question asked.

Mr. d'Almada replied that they could not then be intelligible.

His Worship: Intelligible but not intelligent.

Mr. d'Almada smilingly begged his Worship's pardon.

His Worship said that he would take the three points raised by Counsel for the defence in their reverse order. Regarding the question of the irregularity of procedure, his Worship pointed out that before the mother gave her evidence there had been considerable discussion on the point and it was then known that the Court was going outside the lines of procedure.

The phrase, "strictly speaking" which appeared in the authorities cited, "lets us out," said his Worship, who further remarked that the evidence of the girl had been followed very carefully. The mother had been corrected by the Court interpreter on more than one occasion for expanding replies made by the girl, while on other occasions the Court was able to understand the girl without the assistance of her mother.

Careful Listening.

"I don't think any witness has been listened to so carefully by

WATCHING IT GROW.

LIFE SECRETS REVEALED BY SLOW MOTION.

Mr. Clarke Irvine, journalist, naturalist, writer and lecturer, who has been travelling extensively around the Pacific, having covered over 18,000 miles, has arrived in the Colony from Honolulu with the only print of the famous Pillsbury films which lay bare the life secrets of wild flowers and animals.

This wonderful series of pictures was taken by the slow motion system, years being spent in devising a successful camera for the purpose. The inventor devised a clockwork camera to make exposures at regular intervals as the blossoms developed, and was able to compress, into a minute the growth which perhaps required a week. The result is a scientific triumph, a rare glimpse into the throbbing, orderly world of flowers which is not possible otherwise.

The eye of this magic camera has caught flowers flitting, dancing, nodding, jostling one another and performing amazing acrobatics that man has never beheld.

Mr. Irvine is making arrangements to exhibit this marvellous film locally, and judging from the experience of audiences in other parts of the world in which it has been shown, it ought to be an unusually successful demonstration of the great unknown in nature.

CHINESE AVIATION.

BRITISH FIRM GETS CONTRACT FOR FOUR PLANES.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Messrs. Arnhold and Co. have secured the contract for four De Havilland-Moth aeroplanes from the newly established Wuhan Commercial Aviation Co., which has made preparations for air routes radiating from Hankow.

This is believed to be the first aeroplane contract given to a British firm in China since the purchase of the Vickers machines in 1921.—Reuter.

an interpreter before," added his Worship.

Mr. d'Almada: And I don't think any witness has been less understood before.

On that point his Worship held against the defence by the one phrase, "strictly speaking," and also in view of the extraordinary circumstances.

On the second point his Worship also decided against Mr. d'Almada. As there was no formula of oath laid down in the Ordinance his Worship asked if he could not change the form of oath and caution the girl to tell the truth, which caution he was satisfied she appreciated.

Mr. Fitzroy mentioned that the question of the formula of the Chinese oath had been raised once before and on that occasion Mr. Justice Wood reserved his decision, but the prisoner was acquitted, by the jury on the evidence.

Mr. Fitzroy added that he had tried to get a formula laid down in the Ordinance.

Referring to the usual form of oath, his Worship said that he might just as well have sworn the witness in ancient Greek.

On the grounds that the replies made by the witness had been understood by the Court interpreter and sometimes by his Worship himself, the first point raised by Mr. d'Almada was also overruled, his Worship therefore accepting the evidence of the girl.

The defendant was then committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions.

Mr. d'Almada intimated that the defence would be that the defendant paid the girl 70 cents and she consented.

THE PEACE PACT.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN GOODWILL.

London, Dec. 6.

Sir Austen Chamberlain and the American Ambassador, Mr. Houghton, were the principal guests at a Pilgrims Dinner held last night, to celebrate the signing of the multilateral treaty for the renunciation of war as an instrument of national policy.

Mr. Houghton read a telegram from the U. S. Secretary of State, Mr. Kellogg, in which he said:—"The treaty expresses the sentiments of all the peoples of the world, and sixty nations have either signed the treaty and adhered to it or expressed their intention to adhere to it. Thus it becomes a declaration of the hopes and inspirations of mankind."

In his speech, Mr. Houghton said that he could not discuss the treaty as directly as he would like, because it was about to be laid for consideration before the Senate. All were, however, agreed that a peaceful settlement of the problems arising between nations was wholly desirable, and the fact that the Canadian people and those of the United States had been able to live side by side in mutual safety and contentment divided by an unguarded frontier, could not be without significance to the rest of the world. These two peoples had shown that they were safer and happier without naval and military forces for their protection.

Britain's Adherence.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, referring to the fact that the multilateral treaty was about to be considered by the United States Senate, said that in these circumstances all he would say was that if it should approve itself to the authorities of the United States, no government would more readily and more eagerly give its ratification to the instrument, which had proceeded from American initiative, than the government which he had the honour to represent.

Referring to the long, unprotected Canada-United States frontier, he said:—"It is a frontier between Canada and the United States, but that frontier is unguarded except by goodwill; and the good sense of those whom it divides only to unite. It is not merely the frontier of Canada with the United States: it is the frontier of the British Empire with the United States. When I say that, I say it with the intent that as far as my voice carries, men may draw the implication which you have drawn from the unguarded frontier of Canada with the United States as being true of the unguarded frontier of the United States and the British Empire."

War Renunciation.

Discussing the pact, he said:—"What is it that sixty nations have done? For the first time in their history, they have renounced war as an instrument of policy. I say for myself and for the government which I represent that from the first moment when we received the proposal of the United States Government, we recognised it as important, and our earnest effort was to help it to its conclusion; and that since we have signed it we recognise to the full its implications in the conduct of our own foreign policy and the obligation which it imposes on us to seek a settlement of all international differences by peaceful means."

The pact, however, imposed a duty not confined to the governments, and "I desire on this occasion, among the implications of the pact, to say that it places new obligation on the publicists of our different countries to work for peace, to interpret one nation to another, to be slow to excite suspicion or entertain suspicion, and that their part in making the Kellogg pact of peace effective is at least as important, at least as responsible, and at least as honourable as that of the men who are immediately charged with the conduct of public affairs."—British Wireless.

TRAGIC ACCIDENT.

BOY CRUSHED TO DEATH AND GIRL INJURED.

A small Chinese boy was crushed to death and a girl was injured last evening shortly after six o'clock when a big wooden structure at a Chinese shop, the ground floor of No. 5, Tung Street, collapsed, and the two children were buried underneath.

The shop was occupied by canvas-bed makers, and there was a wooden structure holding a number of articles and implements of the workers. It is understood that the boy and girl were visitors, who went there to pick up pieces of unwanted wood, for fuel. It was while the two were picking up bits of wood that the collapse suddenly occurred.

Immediately, a number of neighbours arrived and removed the debris, and the children were extricated. The boy died on his way to hospital. An injury to the left arm of the girl is considered not serious.

The shop concerned is the Woo Shing firm. The little boy who was fatally injured lived at No. 11, Sai Street, next to Tung Street.

CHRISTMAS MAILS.

MORE PARCELS SENT HOME THIS YEAR.

The Christmas parcel mail from Hongkong for England this year was slightly bigger than in 1927, 3,911 parcels being sent in 298 bags as compared with 3,877 parcels in 264 bags in 1927.

The Suez letter mail was also slightly in excess of last year, there being 106 bags as compared with 104 bags in 1927. With regard to the Christmas Siberian mail eleven bags were despatched this year from Hongkong and only seven last year.

Registered letters sent via Suez in the Christmas mails this year numbered 2,803 sent in 68 bags, compared with 3,074 in 44 bags last year. The heaviest registered mail this year went on the Macedonia which sailed on November 10 with 1,017 registered letters. The Menelaus took 264, the Haruna Maru 934 and the Paul Leat 538.

The registered Siberian mail went on the Chenonceaux last Saturday, consisting of 295 letters in four bags.

LETTER GOLF.

There are a lot of MINOR NOTES in to-day's little piece. The words are five letters each and par is five.

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1—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to Hen, in three strokes, COW, HOW HEW HEN.

2—You can change only one letter at a time.

3—You must have a complete word of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

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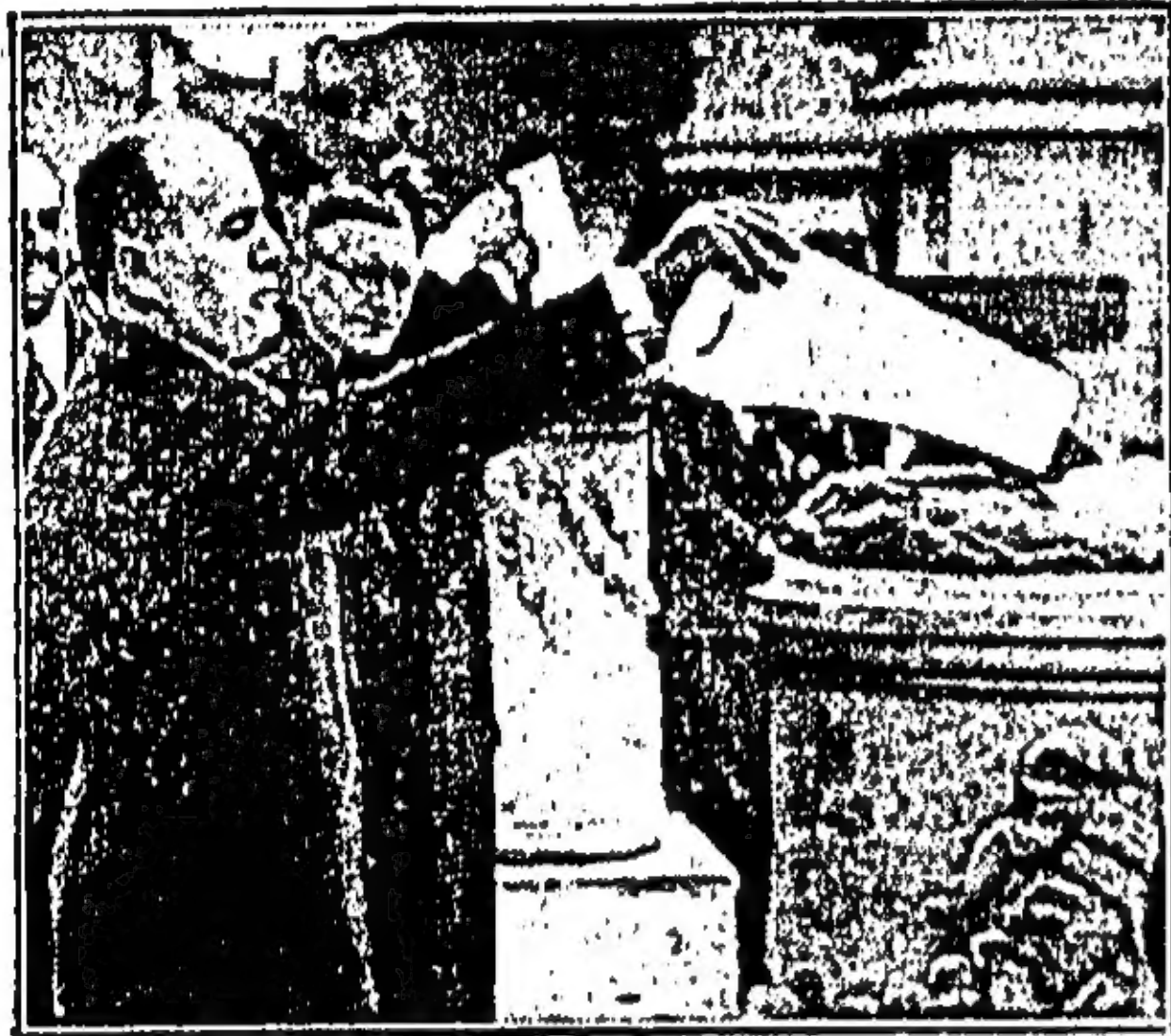
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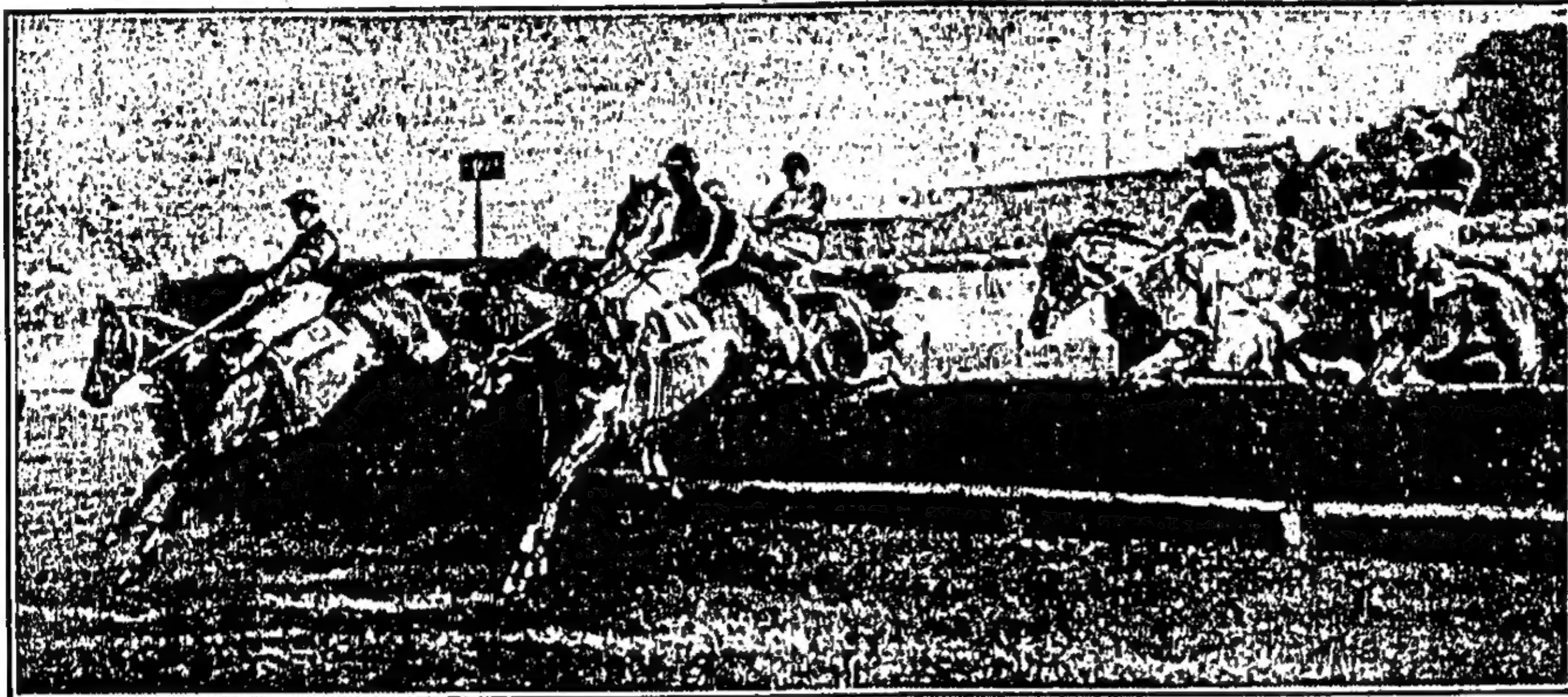
Wealth of inconceivable proportions—about ten billion dollars—is represented by the men you see here. They met in New York City at a dinner. Left to right: Harvey S. Firestone; Julius Rosenwald; Thomas A. Edison; Sir Thomas Lipton; Charles M. Schwab; Henry Ford; Walter Chrysler; George Eastman.



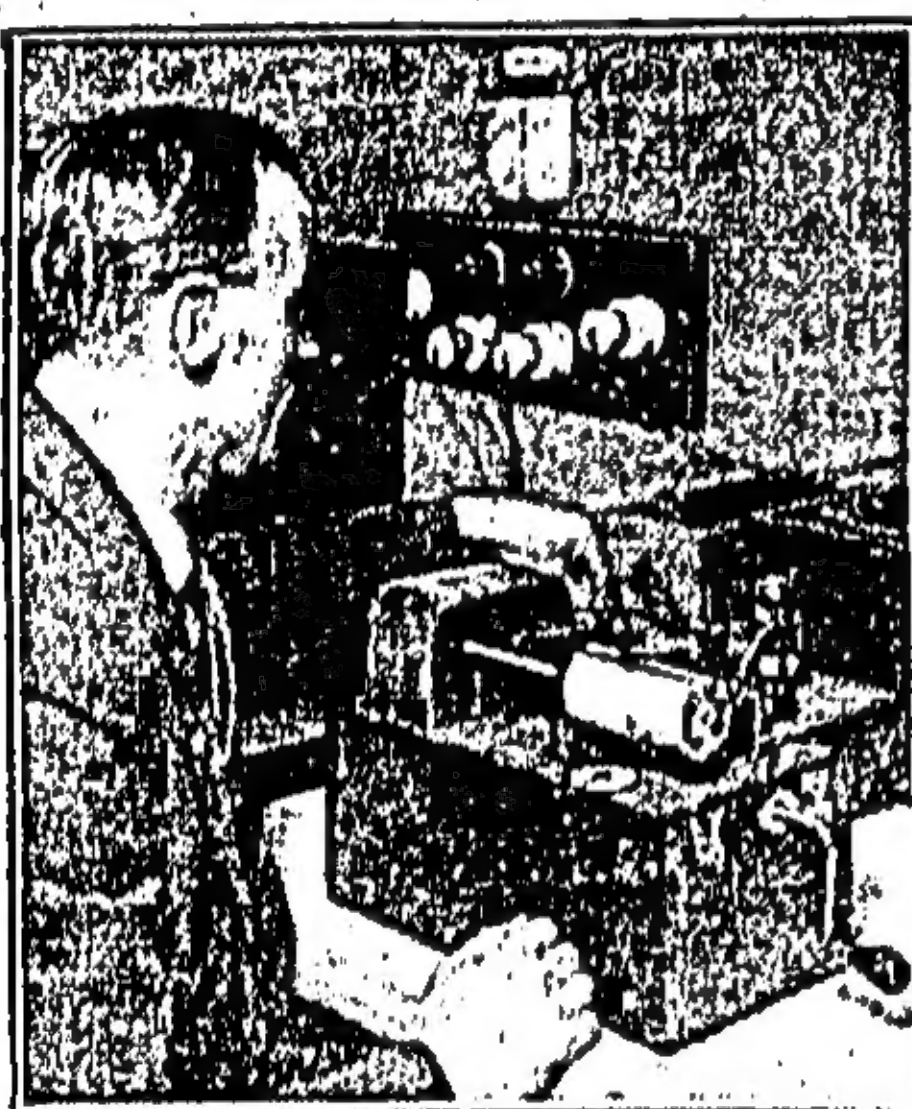
Bill Melhorn, of New York, who has just won the \$5,000 golf tournament over 72 holes at the Honolulu Club.



One of the most spectacular coronations of the Fascist celebration was the burning by Mussolini of two State bonds to the value of £1,521,030, surrounded in honour of the anniversary. (Times copyright.)



A photograph of the field taking the first jump in the Cholmondeley Steeplechase, at Sandown Park. (Times copyright.)



Receiving the first picture, a photograph of His Majesty the King, to be broadcast in England, on the set at Savoy Hill. The picture was broadcast from Daventry (5 xx). (Times copyright.)



Guests of the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace, fourteen celebrated British Editors recently toured the United States. Left to right, rear row: H. Jaques, A. Robbins, Times; William Clark, Belfast Telegraph; P. B. M. Roberts, The Scotsman; R. A. J. Walling, Western Independent; Barons, H. G. Dyer, Front row: Willis, Yorkshire Post; Sir George Armstrong, Sir Charles Ingleton, Ralph D. Blumenfeld, Express, Johnson; W. J. T. Collins, Henry C. Owen.



Dr. Pierre Bougrat, French war hero, who was convicted of murdering his patients, has reached the Venezuelan coast in safety after his daring escape from Devil's Island.



Well-known Shanghai residents at the Races.

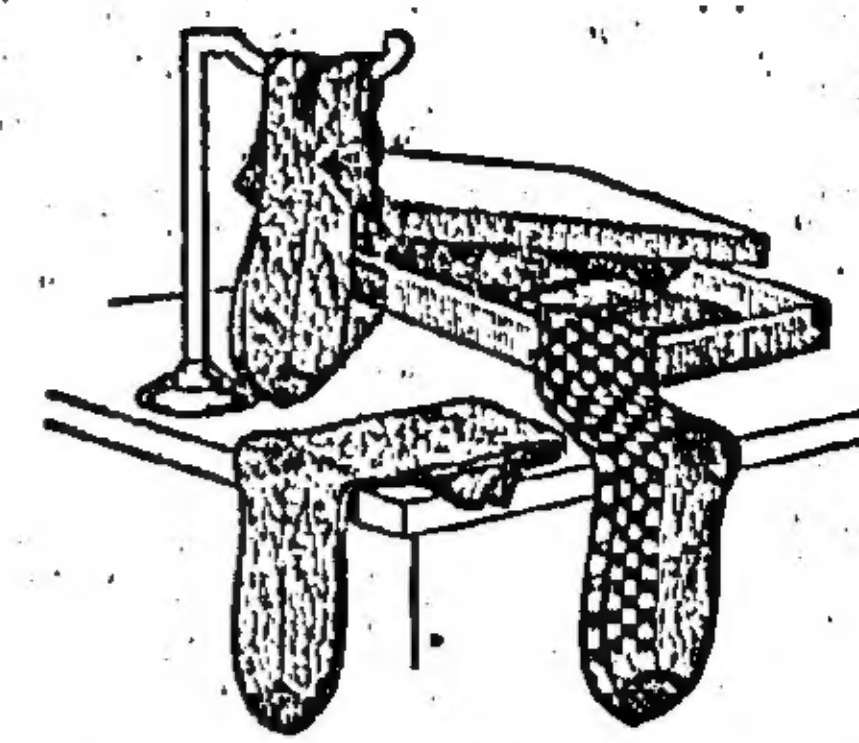


The D. O. S. V. rein Chinesischer Akademiker, the club of Chinese returned students from Germany, Austria and Switzerland, met at tea recently.



Group taken when the Field Artillery S. V. C. held a dance at the Columbia Country Club recently.

NEW DESIGNS IN SOCKS.



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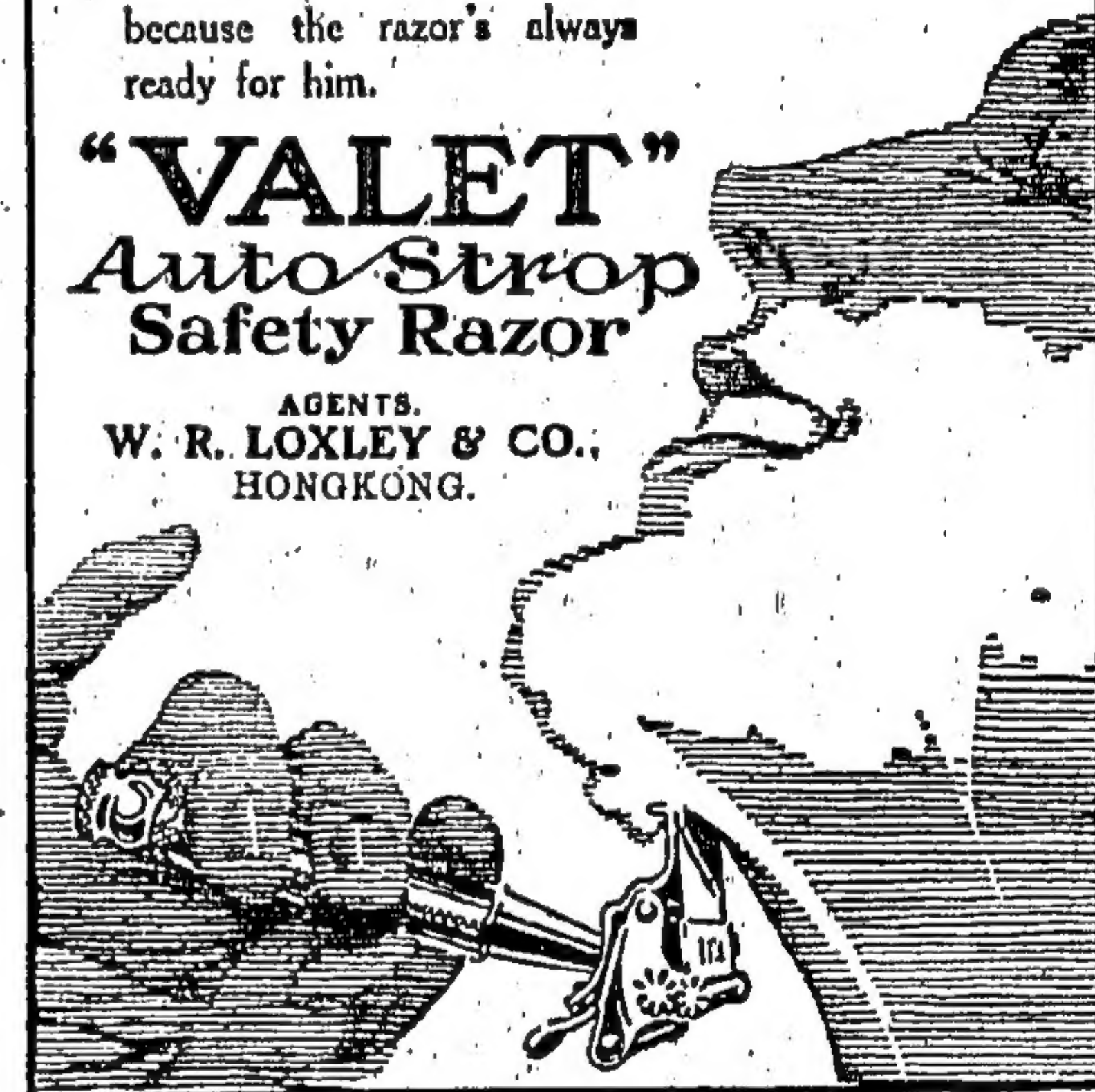
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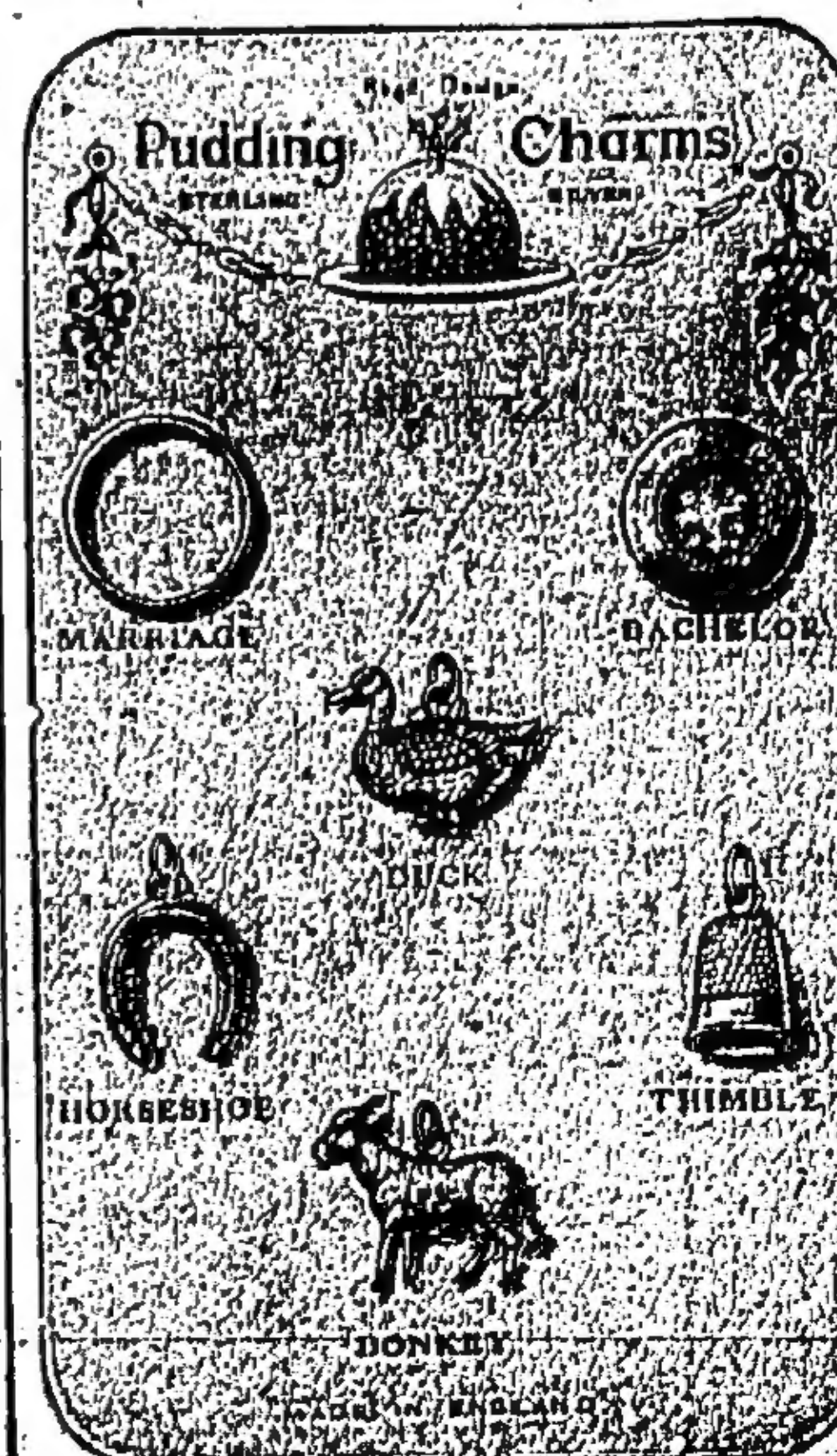
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TO THE
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We have a nice assortment of Sterling Silver Charms to put in the Christmas Pudding.

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6 Charms \$1.50 Oard.
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NOTICE.

Messrs. D. Chellaram will be removing to China Building, Pedder Street, premises lately occupied by Popular Silk Store, as from December 10.

HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

Booking for the Dinner Dance will close on the evening of Tuesday, December 11th. Members are asked to obtain their tickets before that date.

G. E. S. UPSDELL,
Hon. Secretary.

PUBLIC BAND CONCERT.

A Public Band Concert will be given in the

BOTANIC GARDENS

on SUNDAY, December 16th,

from 4 to 5.30 p.m.

By the Band of the

KING'S OWN SCOTTISH BORDERERS.

(By kind permission of Lt.-Col. L. J. Conyn, C.M.G., D.S.O. and Officers.)

Admission to Gardens free;

50 cents to Enclosure.

Special Chairs, 50 cents extra.

PLEASE NOTE.

All firms, shops, trades, professions, associations, etc. are cordially invited to send in full particulars as early as possible for FREE INSERTION in the next issue of LEB'S TRADE & SHOPPING GUIDE OF HONGKONG (An Anglo-Chinese Directory).

The next issue will be greatly improved and much useful information heretofore unpublished will be incorporated in it.

SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT WILL BE MUCH APPRECIATED.

LEB'S 10 Queen's Rd., C.
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WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Office of the O.C. R.A.S.C., Headquarters, South China Command, Hongkong, until 12 o'clock noon on the date stated, for the undermentioned services, for the periods given:—

THREE MONTHS COMMENCING 1st January, 1929.

Transport (Hire of Lighters and Lorries)—Monday, 10th December, 1928.

Conveyance Services, Kowloon—Monday, 10th December, 1928. Tender Forms and any necessary information may be obtained at the above office between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily, except Sundays.

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Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 10th day of December, 1928, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyors of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| No. of Lots | Boundary Measurements | Area | Value |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------|
| 1 | 100 feet by 100 feet | 10,000 sq. feet | \$4,000 |
| 2 | 100 feet by 100 feet | 10,000 sq. feet | \$4,000 |
| 3 | 100 feet by 100 feet | 10,000 sq. feet | \$4,000 |
| 4 | 100 feet by 100 feet | 10,000 sq. feet | \$4,000 |
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FANLING HUNT STEEPCHASES

SATURDAY,

22nd DECEMBER.

Entries close at noon

10th December.

Forms from Thomson & Co.

Lammert's Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on SATURDAY,

the 8th December, 1928,

at 11 a.m.

at Holt's Wharf, Kowloon.

(for account of the concerned)

66 Bags "Thurcroft" Brand

Sulphate of Ammonia—more or less damaged

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

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A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

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A Quantity of Blackwood

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and

One Ariel Motor Cycle, 1928

Solo Super-sports Model, 5 H.P.

Over-head Valves, Double Port

Engine, Lucas Mag-dyno. Electrically

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One "Harley Davidson" Motor

Cycle and Sidecar.

Catalogues will be issued.

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CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES AND

UNDERWRITERS.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

General Average.

s.s. TANGO MARU.

(Arrival date indefinite at

present).

It is hereby notified that the

s.s. Tango Maru, having cargo

on board from Melbourne, Sydney,

Brisbane and Thursday Island,

stranded at Ghibber Rock near the

last-named port on 3rd November,

1928, and in consequence General

Average has been declared.

Some part of the cargo on

board the above steamer is ex-

pected to arrive here by the s.s.

"Changste" on or about 7th Decem-

ber.

Consignees of cargo from the

aforsaid ports are requested to

sign G. A. Bond at our office and

to pay a deposit of fifteen (15)

per cent. of the valuation of their

consignments before Bills of

Lading will be countersigned for

delivery.

ELLERMAN LINE.

From EUROPE.

The Steamship

"CITY OF CHESTER"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo

by her are informed that all goods

are being landed at their risk into

the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous

Godown of Holt's Wharf, whence

Delivery may be obtained.

No claim will be admitted after

the Goods have left the Godown,

and all Goods remaining undelivered

after 10th December, 1928, will be

subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer

must be presented to the Under-

signed on or before 17th December,

1928, or they will not be recognized.

A broken, chafed and damaged

Goods are to be left in the Godown,

where they will be examined on any

Tuesdays or Fridays, between the

hours of 10.40 a.m. and noon, within

the Free Storage period of One

Week.

No Fire Insurance has been effect-

ed. Bills of Lading will be counter-

signed by

THE BANK LINE LIMITED,

General Agents.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM

NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's Vessel,

"TELEMACHIUS"

From UNITED KINGDOM via

SINGAPORE.

are hereby notified that the cargo will

be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kow-

loon, where it will be at Consignees' risk

and subject to terms and condi-

tions of storage at Holt's Wharf.

The Cargo will be ready for delivery

from Godown on and after 6th

December.

Optional cargo will not be landed

here, unless notice has been given

prior to

POO ON CHINESE HERBS HAVE CURED MANY DISEASES WHEN PHYSICIANS, HOSPITALS AND SPECIALISTS FAILED.

Mother, Father and Three Children Receive the Wonderful Benefits from the Poo On Chinese Herbs. The Mother is Glad to Tell What the Herbs Did for Her Family.

Mrs. C. F. Fisher, who lives at 327, 16th St., Modesto, Calif., is a firm believer in the Poo On Chinese Herbs. This, because she has had a fine opportunity to give them a trial in her own family.

"When I first tried the Poo On Chinese Herbs," says Mrs. Fisher, "I had a bad case of the 'flu.' I coughed and had pains all over. Simply felt all in. My throat was sore and I know that it would turn into Diphtheria or Pneumonia if I was not careful. At that time many people had the same symptoms, and all the physicians here called it the Spanish Influenza or the Flu. Most of the people who were under the care of the American doctors died, and the few that got well took them a long time to get cured. This disease seemed a puzzle to all our doctors here, and many people never got well completely; always had some bad after effects. My husband and I heard of the wonderful results of the Poo On Chinese Herbs curing many cases so simply and rapidly, and he called and got some of the Poo On Chinese Herbs. I got relief at once and was feeling fine after a short time. I am the mother of five children and had been sick for two years. I had two operations but was sick all the time.

"My eldest girl had a sort of skin disease—Eczema—which formed as a pimple and turned into a scab. She had this all over and was suffering terribly with the itching. I took her down to see the herbalist and the herbs he gave her fixed her up fine.

"My 8 months' old baby, Albert, still nursing, caught the Flu from me and the poor youngster was awfully bad. His eyes got watery and red and I was worried. But I gave him some of the Poo On Chinese Herbs and they cured him right away.

"One of my four-year-old twins had a very bad cough and I gave her some Poo On Chinese Herbs and the cough left her and she is in excellent health now.

"My husband had a bad cough for years. He then caught a bad cold so I told him to get some herbs from Poo On Herbs Co. In a short time his old cough was gone and he felt fine."

"So you see the Poo On Chinese Herbs have proven themselves successful in my family and I am sure that no matter what sickness now comes to any member of my family, I will just get some Poo On Chinese Herbs, and won't have to worry."

SIX PHYSICIANS AND SPECIALISTS FAILED TO GIVE RELIEF CURED BY POO ON CHINESE HERBS.

Mr. David McBride of R.F.O.E., father of Charles McBride, says the following about the rapid way Poo On Chinese Herbs cured his son: "One day while eating his meal, my son Charles suddenly became apparently lifeless. I called a local physician at once and he treated him for six months. Then this doctor gave him up. We sent him to Lane hospital where he was treated by the best of specialists and physicians, who pronounced his case incurable. Some said he was suffering from tape-worm, some said from epileptic fits, and others said something else, none agreeing as to the real cause of the spells. During this time Charles was having from 10 to 18 spells a day, sometimes more. We brought him back to Modesto and treated him with physicians here, but even then no relief was received. Hearing of the Poo On Chinese Herbs, I thought this would help, so I went down with my elder son and talked with the Herbalist. He said his herbs would give relief. I returned home with a few packages of the herbs, and in two days the change was very noticeable.

Before this my son could neither talk nor walk, and we dared not let him out of our sight. He was lifeless and did not care to play or talk with the other children. He is now full of life and plays around with the other children and is well in every way. Many neighbors and friends, knowing of his former condition, are greatly surprised at the quick recovery.

Thousands suffering from catarrh, bronchial lung trouble, throat, coughs, asthma, hay fever, malaria, stomach trouble, indigestion, constipation, gastritis, piles, diarrhoea, fistula, heart disease, eczema, scrofula, female trouble, nervousness, insomnia, obesity kidney, bladder trouble, Bright's disease, diabetes, rheumatism, neuritis, dropsy, overwork, epileptic fits, paralysis, tumors, ulcers, pimple, dizziness, headaches, neurasthenia, neuritis, and many other chronic diseases, have been restored to health and happiness without poisonous drugs or the knife, by the Poo On Chinese Herbs.

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WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

The Slim Silhouette.



Youthful and charming on the young figure is this delicate pink tulle frock, with two pink satin ribbons girdling it.



Dolores del Rio wears an all red velvet ensemble with slightly moulded silhouette and sumptuous badger trim.

Mental Poise.

WHY ACTRESSES REMAIN YOUNG.

Actresses are usually ten years younger for their age than women in any other profession—younger even, despite their always rather hectic lives, than women of leisure.

The actress learns to walk, move and gesticulate from the first moment she takes up a stage career. She sits well, she lounges gracefully, she holds her head high, she knows the value of a single gesture. She carries her body well with the weight properly distributed. She has, in effect, poise, and poise carries her into old age almost imperceptibly.

As a rule, too, the middle-aged actress who looks so much younger than she really is has mental poise as well—incredible as this may sound. It is, however, a stage attribute also.

A Gallant Outlook on Life.

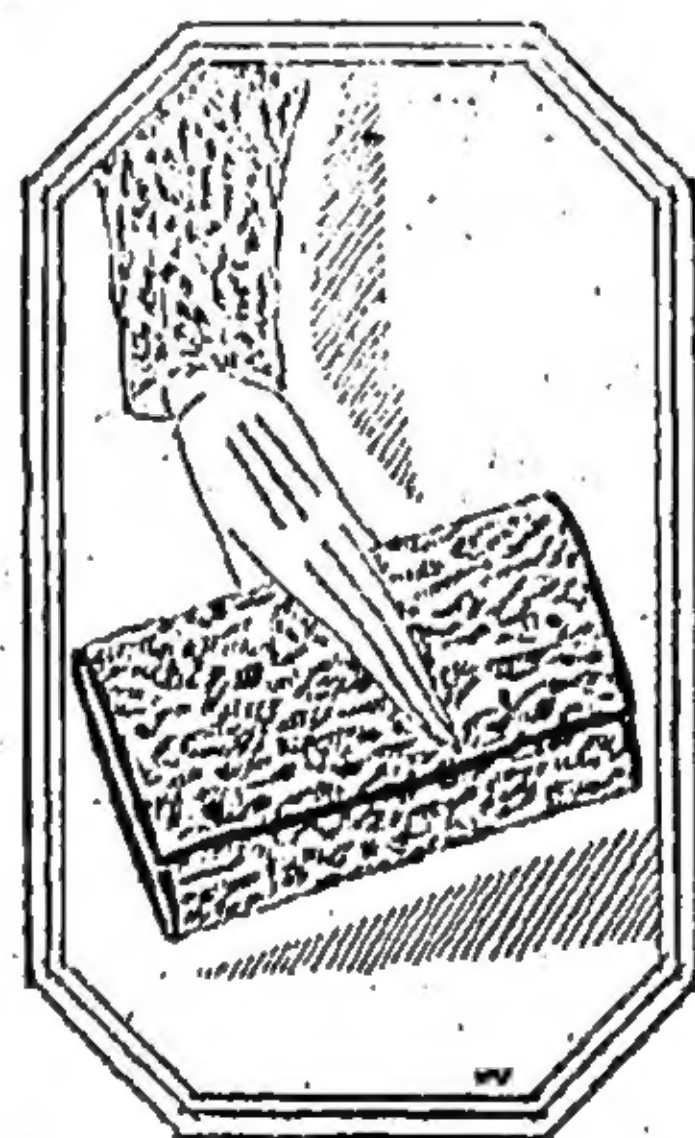
Quickness of perception, great adaptability, the habit of looking at life from many angles—all the possible angles invented, imagined or made concrete by the playwright—these are hers. No one can remain in a profession so full of uncertainty, disappointment, heart-breaking failures, constant endeavour, without gaining a certain gallant outlook on life combined with a knowledge of the absurdity of crying over spilt milk.

Mental poise can be acquired in an easier school. Once realised its value and it can be yours with a little practice. Looking facts in the face and making the best of things is a rough and ready recipe. A character in a recent play exclaimed: "I know that life is full of bitterness and disappointment, but I think it is gallant to be gay about it!" That is the foundation of mental poise.

A Guide to Physical Poise.

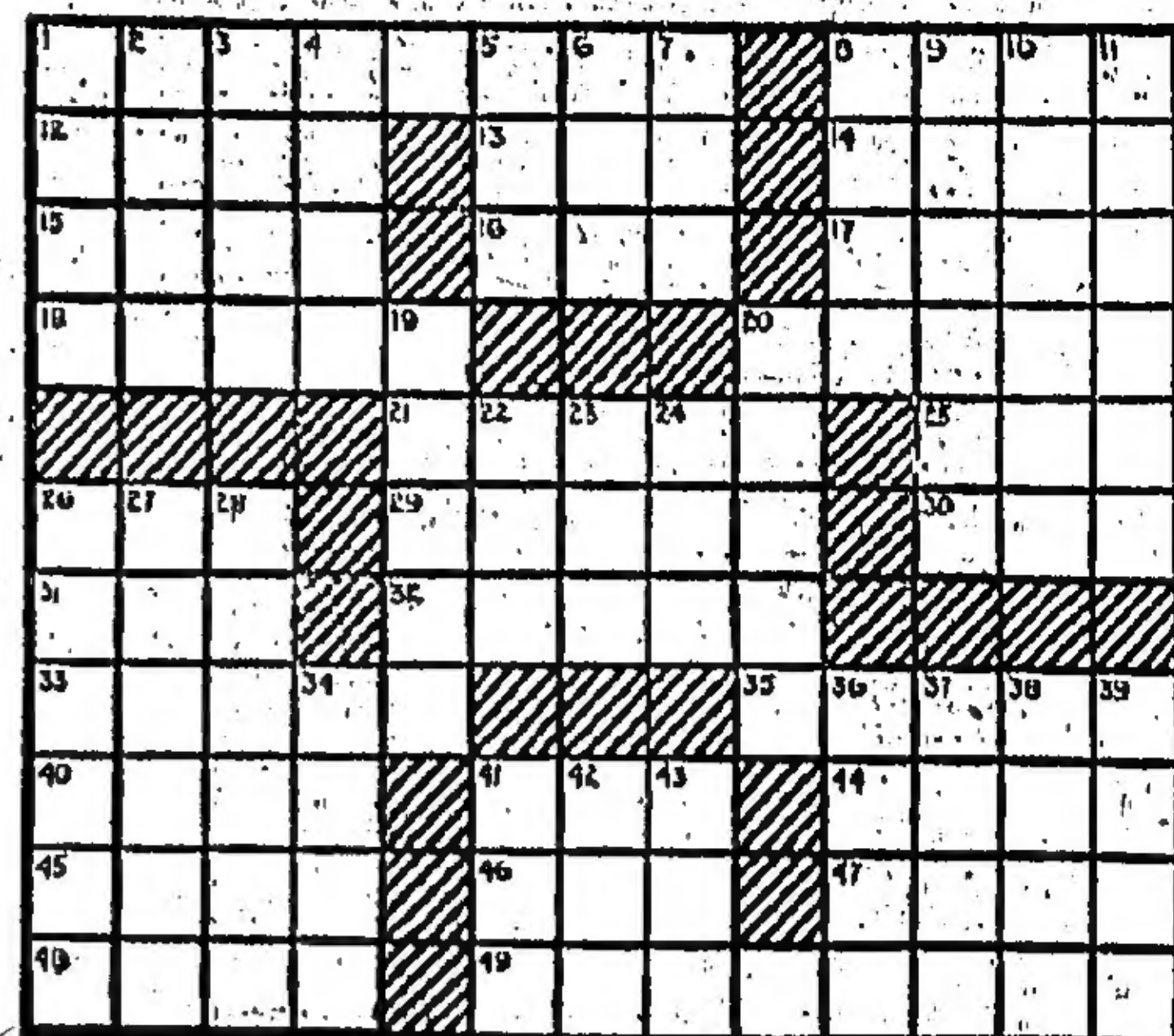
Physical poise is still easier. Any middle-aged woman can correct her worst faults herself if she will live intimately with a long mirror—not only so, that she may practice holding her head in such a way that she does not accentuate her double chin, walking well, sitting well, consciously, but also that she may have opportunities of catching sight of herself when she is being natural and realising just how much perfection of poise she lacks.

Very Smart.



A broadtail bag to match the fur coat is a smart fashion this season. A beige broadtail envelope is piped with brown leather.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Horizontal

- 1 To draw in or away by suction.
- 8 Superintendent.
- 12 Avenue.
- 13 Bashful.
- 14 Hautboy.
- 15 Taste.
- 16 To observe.
- 17 Plant from which bitter drug is procured.
- 18 Hurry.
- 20 To primp.
- 21 Pulpit block.
- 25 Driving command.
- 26 Legal rule.
- 29 One's sister's daughter.
- 30 To make a mistake.
- 31 Rock containing silver.
- 32 Pennies.
- 33 To arrange cloth gracefully.
- 35 Chip of stone.
- 40 To donate.
- 41 Constant companion.
- 42 Region.
- 45 Always.
- 46 Age.
- 47 Skin.
- 48 A pause.
- 49 Correct.

Vertical

- 1 Branches of learning.
- 2 A cleansing agent.
- 3 Section of a window.
- 4 Rim.
- 6 Almost a donkey.
- 6 Definite article.

- 7 Organ of sight.
- 8 Male guinea pig.
- 9 To accommodate.
- 10 Earlier.
- 11 Slender probe.
- 12 To glide rhythmically.
- 13 Printer's machine.
- 22 Bashed.
- 23 Two doves.
- 24 To perform.
- 25 Boarder.
- 27 To reach a place.
- 28 Intertwines into fabric.
- 34 Officious.
- 35 Young salmon.
- 37 Melody.
- 38 Opposed to borrowed.
- 39 To bail.
- 41 Tiny green vegetable.
- 42 Portion of a circle.
- 43 Ingredient of varnish.

Yesterday's Solution.

ALABAMA CANAL
TORE BAR ORLO
LOT CLEAT CAB
AT SHERMANSE
SIPAPY NAPL
PEERS SAKERS
PANT CGETS
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AES RIVER TOO
CRAB NZE PAIN
HOTELS RESILE

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended December 6th, 1907.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2s. 0½d.

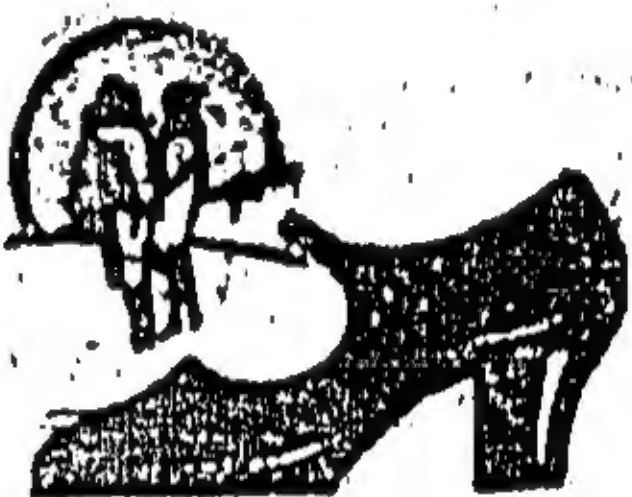
A gloom was cast over the whole Colony by the death, two months after her marriage, of the wife of Captain Mitchell Taylor, A.D.C. to Sir Frederick Lugard, from septicaemia, after an attack of dengue. The deceased lady was a niece of Sir Frederick Lugard.

Mons. J. Millet was appointed Agent for the Messageries Maritimes in Hongkong.

Mr. A. Koch was appointed Manager in Hongkong for the Deutsch Asiatische Bank.

Charles James Byrant, a Crimewar veteran, was found dead in a squalid hovel at Tai-koktau where he had lived for a number of years. He formerly served in the Grenadier Guards.

Lord Stalbridge, of Warrash House, Hamble, Hants had a thrilling adventure recently in his 250-ton schooner Cetonia while returning from a Mediterranean cruise. About 40 miles off Ushant she ran into a full gale. Big waves carried away the port bulwarks and the winds tore down the sails. The vessel ran before the gale, being taken approximately 300 miles out of her course. Later rockets were sent up and the Cetonia was towed into Corunna.



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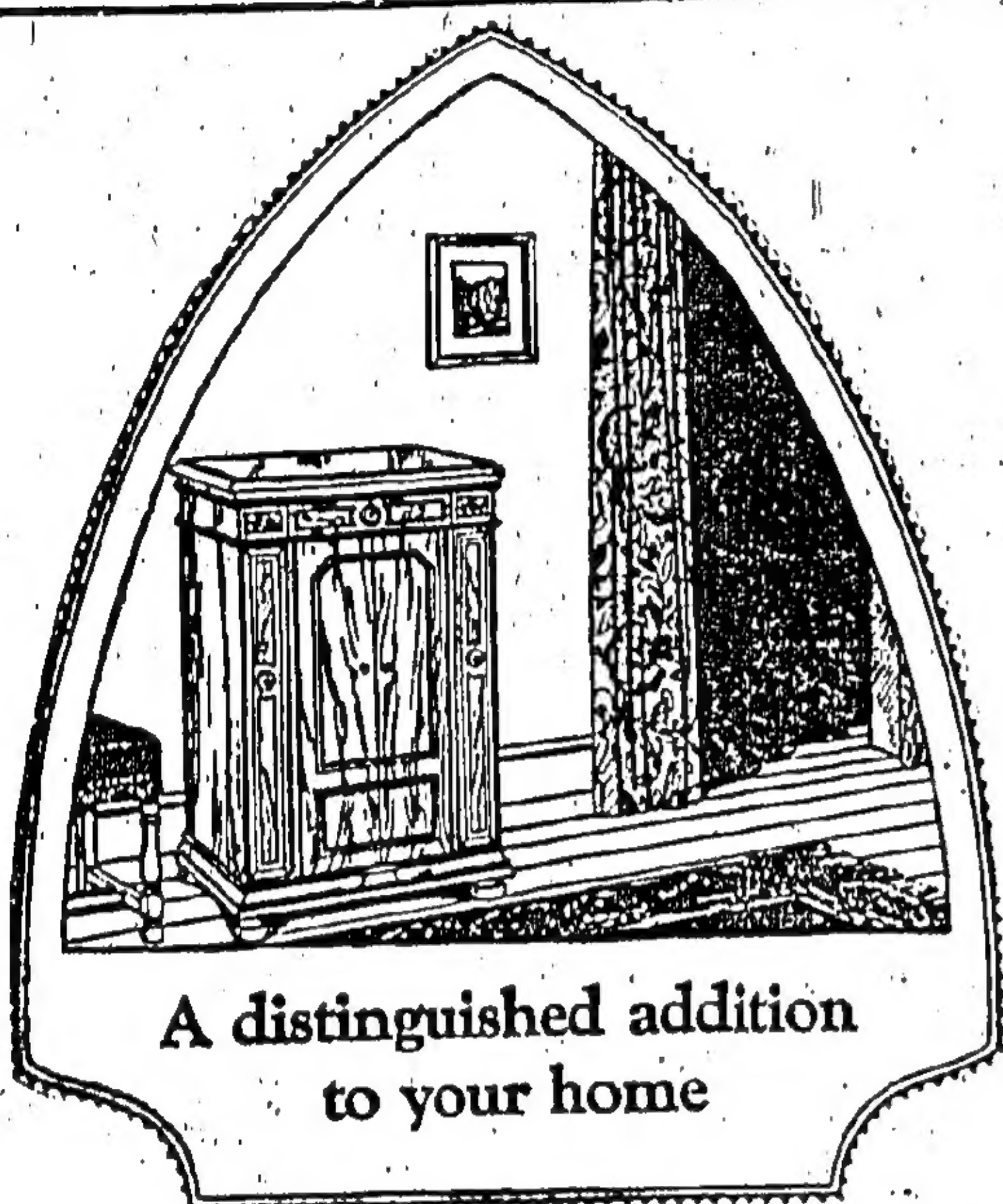
THERE'S THE ROCK OF GIBRALTER AHEAD OF US—TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT IT!

GEE! MANY A TIME I'VE SEEN PICTURES OF TAKING AND NOW I'M LOOKING AT THE REAL THING! IMAGINE BETTER THE ROCK OF GIBRALTER! RIGHT BEFORE OUR VERY EYES!

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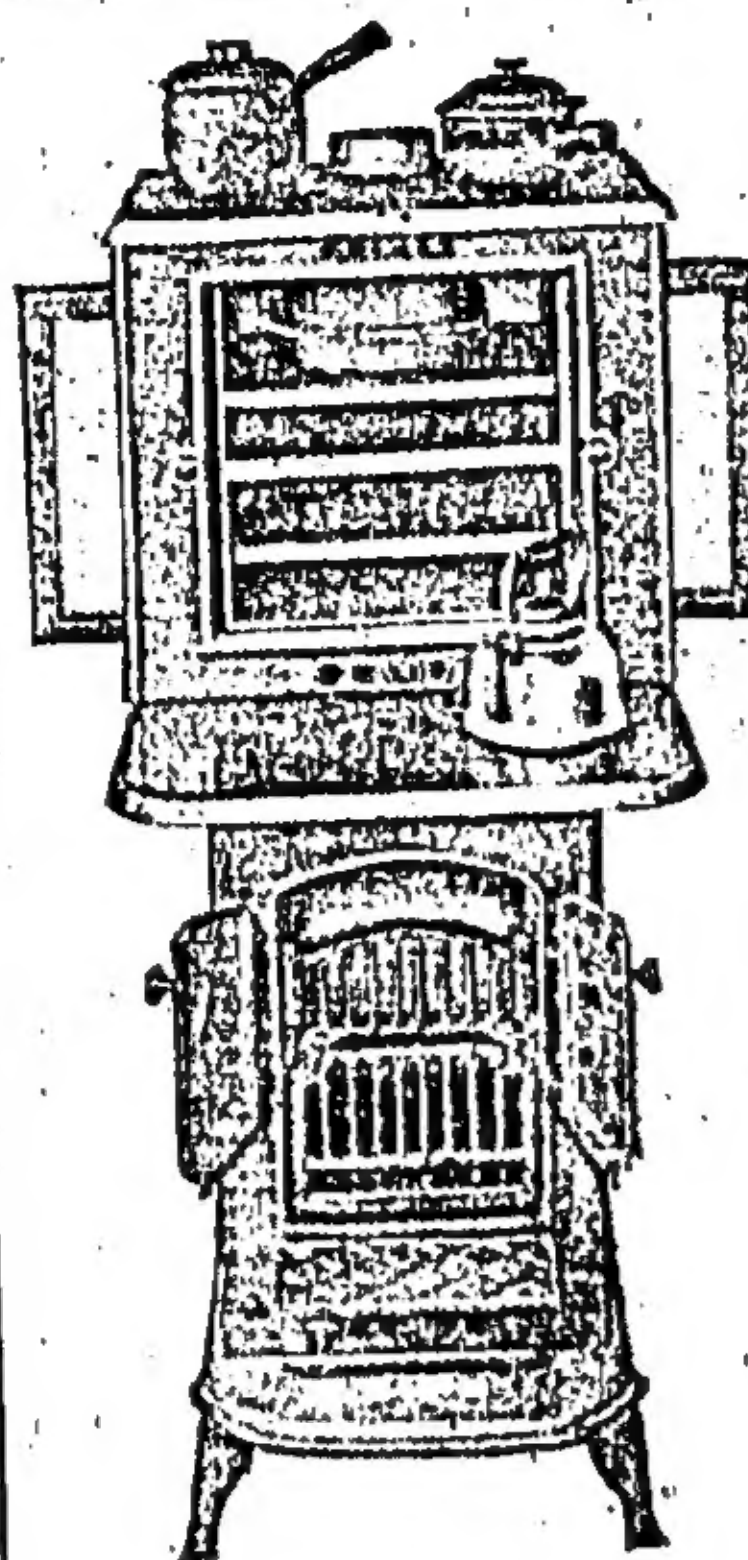
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FRIDAY, DEC. 7, 1928

BRITAIN'S MINERS.

The extremely serious plight in which huge numbers of British miners find themselves as a consequence of continued unemployment has resulted in a national appeal being made on their behalf. Whilst anything which may help to alleviate the distress of these men is to be welcomed, it must be obvious that the problem cannot be solved along charitable lines. The most that can be hoped for as a result of the national appeal is, to use the words of the Minister of Health, to prevent the miners from sinking into irretrievable exhaustion and ruin. Whatever money is now raised will be of value in staving off starvation, but the problem will still remain to be dealt with. Indeed, the whole question of British unemployment must be faced, and unless the Government does a very great deal more in the way of remedial legislation than it has already attempted, we venture to think that things will go hard with them at the next General Election.

Some idea of the abnormal degree of unemployment in the South Wales fields may be gathered from facts laid before the Minister of Health and the Minister of Labour recently by a deputation of M.P.'s representing the mining divisions and members of the South Wales Miners' Federation. The deputation pointed out that since 1920 there had been a decrease of over 100,000 wage-earners in the coalfield; last year there was a decrease of 28,000. In August there were 59,949 miners unemployed, and a considerable number had been deprived of unemployment benefit. Many had been unemployed for several years. The deputation complained of the attitude of some chairmen of courts of referees towards men seeking unemployment pay. They had advised claimants to take out travelling cards and tramp the country in search of work. The deputation resented the conversation of decent workmen into tramps, who would eventually become regular habitues of the casual wards. They argued that the policy referred to had resulted in thousands of workmen being deprived of unemployment pay and compelled to seek Poor Law relief. The Boards of Guardians, the deputation declared, were in a difficult position owing to the closing of the collieries and the resultant loss in rateable value. The rates

in consequence were crushing, and loans and overdrafts amounting to £2,250,000 had been incurred. Financial exhaustion had compelled Boards of Guardians to reduce the relief of the destitute poor families to an average of 4s. 3d. per person, whereas the average amount of relief per head for England and Wales was 6s. 7d. per head per week. The pressure by the Ministry, it was maintained, had reduced South Wales to a semi-starvation level.

With the circumstances thus, it is easy to realise that the £120,000 already raised by the national appeal is hopelessly inadequate for the purpose of relieving the distress prevailing. At the mayoral conference just held in London, the Minister of Health wrote stating that "something must be done," and if this is to be taken as the extent of the Government's policy in the matter, we can only express the most profound surprise. It must not be forgotten that this problem is one in regard to which the Government has considerable responsibility, quite apart from its obvious duty to deal with all such questions, because of its having yielded to pressure by mineowners to enforce the eight-hour day. Now that the crisis has been reached, the country rightly looks to the Government to initiate schemes by which many of the unemployed can be absorbed. To be content to sit still and allow events to take their course is, in the circumstances, little short of criminal.

Tariff Autonomy.

Sir Austen Chamberlain gave an uninformative answer to a misinformed questioner in the House of Commons, who sought confirmation of a belief that the National Government of China proposes to exercise tariff autonomy on January 1st. The reply was typically Governmental, denying so much of the inference in the question as was incorrect, but, for some unknown reason, declining to submit the true facts, which as well-known and as shown by a cable received from Nanking yesterday, are that the Nationalists have for some time been preparing a new tariff schedule without reference to the Powers, and are likely to promulgate the results within a few days, giving two months' grace before the new rates come into operation. The Foreign Office is so closely in touch with the situation in China, we cannot believe the announcement will come as any surprise to Sir Austen or his colleagues. The point made that Britain even now is negotiating with the National Government with regard to a Treaty dealing with tariff matters is of secondary importance. The temper of the Nationalists is such that they will go ahead with their proposal whether the tariff question has been satisfactorily settled with Britain or not, and all things considered, this is not important either. China's right to tariff autonomy has been almost generally admitted, the only demand of the Powers consisting in the abolition of *likin*. We understand from reliable Chinese sources that the Minister of Finance has already called a conference of the representatives of Provincial treasuries in an effort to find the easiest solution of the problem, and provided Mr. Soong is authorised to offer certain financial guarantees, no real difficulty should arise. What we do not understand is Parliamentary pretence.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OUR STREET SLEEPERS.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—With reference to your article in last night's issue concerning the street sleepers, I feel sure that a scheme to provide a suitable home for the numerous casual workers is much needed by the poor and also for the welfare of the Colony.

If a practical scheme on a small scale were put into operation immediately, I think much could be learned from the experience thus obtained.—Yours, etc., A RESIDENT. Hongkong, Dec. 6th, 1928.

DAY BY DAY.

SERVILE DOUBT ARGUES AN IMPOTENCE OF MIND, THAT SAYS WE FEAR BECAUSE WE DARE NOT MEET MISFORTUNES.—Aron Hill.

The Ben Line s.s. Benarty, from Home, Straits and Philippines ports, is due here on the 16th instant.

H.M.S. Magnolia left Foochow for Shanghai on Thursday, and H.M.S. Bluebell arrived at Foochow from Weihaiwei.

Yesterday's return of notifiable diseases shows 14 further cases of small-pox, of which 12 were from Kowloon districts. All were Chinese. A Chinese case of typhoid was also reported.

Flags on the Wing On building were at half mast yesterday, as a sign of mourning for the mother of the manager, Mr. Gock Chin, whose death occurred at Shekai on the previous evening.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of the Rev. H. Marsden, of the London Mission, Tinchow, Fukien, to Miss E. Bottomley, No. 48, Marlborough Street, Oldham, Lancashire, who is travelling to Hongkong by the s.s. Kulan.

The Bazaar Committee of St. Vincent de Paul have pleasure in acknowledging receipt of the following gifts to their forthcoming bazaar—French Convent, fancy needle-work articles; Mrs. Jowitt, knitted articles; C. Chan, Star Store, 2,000 cigarettes; Kwong Sang Hong, Ltd., toilet articles.

The many friends of Dr. Eva Ho Tung, (daughter of Sir Robert Ho Tung), who graduated from Hongkong University in December, 1926, will be glad to learn that she has recently gained another distinction by passing the examination for the Membership of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (M.R.C.P.I.). We believe this is the first time that such an honour has been conferred on a Chinese lady.

For the purpose of arranging the release of the latest Paramount productions in South China, Mr. Chun Yen-bun, Managing Director of the Odeon Theatre Company, Federal Incorporated, U.S.A., Shanghai, is paying a visit to Hongkong and stopping at the King Edward Hotel. His Company recently acquired the exclusive distribution rights for these pictures and is building two new theatres in Shanghai besides the one now in operation. Mr. Chun was formerly the commodore of Holt's Wharf, Shanghai, and is a native of Canton.

A number of Hongkong residents returned from Home leave yesterday on the P. and O. s.s. Mantua. Among them were Sir Joseph Kemp, (the Attorney General), Mr. W. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lang, Mr. T. R. Rowell, Mr. G. Morrison, Capt. and Mrs. A. Stewart, Mr. E. Ralphs, Mr. and Mrs. P. Lanigan, Comdr. R. A. S. Hill, Pay Lt. Comdr. Pasmore, Pay Lt. W. G. Tighe, Surg. Lt. F. Dolan, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stimson, Pay Sub-Lt. Petre, Lt. T. Leahy, Mr. L. H. V. Booth, Mr. D. Templeton, Mr. and Mrs. E. Davidson, Mr. A. S. Mackiehan and Sub-Lt. Bryans.

Rev. G. W. Ridout, D.D., of Ashbury College, Kentucky, with an evangelistic band from Shanghai, is conducting evangelistic meetings at Peniel mission, No. 90 Portland St., Yau-mat-ai. Services are held at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. each day. Dr. Ridout speaks in English and has a Chinese preacher interpreting. The morning services are intended largely for English-speaking people. Missionaries and others are invited. Before coming to Hongkong, Dr. Ridout conducted a series of meetings at Nanking under the auspices of the Chinese Christian Council. He lectured each morning at the Theological Seminary and conducted Revival services in afternoon and night. The services at Yau-mat-ai will continue till Monday next, after which the workers go to Canton.

TROOPSHIP STABBING AFFRAY.

K.O.S.R. PRIVATE AGAIN REMANDED.

No further news has been received regarding Sergeant A. Kerr, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, the victim of a stabbing affray on the troopship Somersetshire whose condition recently took a turn for the worse, according to the last report received.

Meanwhile, Private J. Boyle, of the same Battalion, who is charged with using a knife and inflicting grievous bodily harm on Sergeant Kerr, is still being held by the Hongkong police, a further remand being given this morning when he made another appearance before Major C. Willson.

PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING.

NIECE OF SIR ROBERT HO TUNG.

A largely-attended wedding reception was held yesterday afternoon in Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, the bridal couple being Miss Choy Ping Yeung and Mr. Ko Young Heung who were married earlier in the day at the Registry Office.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Choy Po Sing and the niece of Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung. Her husband is Mr. Ko Young Heung, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ko How Kuen, and he is employed by the P. and O. Banking Corporation.

The "best man" was Mr. Ko King Fan and the bride was attended by Miss Lok Chiu Sheung as bridesmaid and three little flower girls. The bridesmaid had a lovely "Shanghai" dress of gold silk and

"TELEGRAPH" PICTORIAL FEATURES.

Many Appearing in Issue of To-morrow.

Apart from the striking four-page Art Supplement dealing exclusively with the Peninsula Hotel, which of itself contains numerous beautiful illustrations, in to-morrow's Telegraph will appear a wide variety of topical pictures of local interest.

Amongst local weddings, there will be groups taken at the marriage of Mr. Hutton Potts and Miss Weill, of Mr. G. B. Frost and Miss D. L. George, and of Mr. Wong Man-kuong and Miss Edna M. ow.

The Church parade of the Scottish Company of the H.K.V.D.C. last Sunday will be illustrated, whilst a group of the Company and of officials of the St. Andrew's Society taken after the parade will also be given. Another picture will show the "Edinburgh Castle" entrance at the City Hall on the occasion of the Scottish Ball.

Amongst other pictures will be winners at last Saturday's Race Meeting, and the launching of the s.s. Pangkor at Taikoo.

Some striking photographs of the recent disastrous fire at Canton will also be given.

carried a large bouquet of pink roses, of the same colour as the frills of the child attendants who wore wreaths of silver flowers.

The bride wore European dress, a wedding gown of white satin ornamented with pearls and a tulle veil secured by a circlet of orange blossom and pearls. She carried a bouquet of white flowers.

The cake, together with a Chinese ceremonial arrangement of flowers, stood under a lovely bell of white blossoms, and the bride looked very charming in her white dress among the gaily coloured throng of friends and relations, many of whom were wearing the traditional wedding garments of Chinese ladies.

Among the many guests at the reception were Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung with their married daughter, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Leung and Mr. M. K. Lo. The usual toasts were honoured and speeches made in which the newly married couple were wished all happiness.

TWO NEW R.A.'S.

MR. DICK AND MR. AUGUSTUS JOHN.

Mr. William Reid Dick, the sculptor, and Mr. Augustus John, the painter, have been elected Royal Academicians.

[Mr. Dick has exhibited at the Royal Academy since 1908. His work has figured prominently in War Memorials, in which connection mention may be made of the magnificent lion which he made for the Menin Gate at Ypres. He served in France and Palestine from 1914 to 1919.]

Mr. Augustus John is an exceedingly original artist, with a special gift of insight in portraiture. He is President of the National Portrait Society. He declined nomination to the Academy until 1921, when, "forswearing the determination of a lifetime," he was elected an A.R.A.]

Among the passengers arriving in Hongkong on the s.s. Empress of Russia yesterday were Mrs. K. H. Beavis, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Burgess, Mr. A. M. Birchall, Mrs. H. Gittins, Sir Elly Kadoorie, Mr. L. Kadoorie, Mrs. J. S. Murray, Mr. H. W. Page and Mr. R. R. Roxburgh.

The Very Idea!

Under a Government decree Palestine will henceforth celebrate three official New Year holidays annually. The authorities recognized a claim submitted by the Supreme Moslem Council that the Mahomedan New Year, the first day of the month of Moharrem, should be an official holiday. This usually occurs in June or July. In addition, the Jewish New Year, in September or October, and January 1 are already recognized. The Council's demand is thought to have been prompted more by political than by religious motives.

When Noah sailed the waters blue He had his troubles, same as you For forty days he drove the Ark Before he found a place to park.

A Willesten Man: My wages, 54s. a week, do not go very far. The Magistrate: I don't expect they run to Monte Carlo once a year.

A witness at Pengo taking the oath: The evidence I shall give shall be the truth and nothing more than the truth.

A Barrister at Bow County Court: She does not wish to kill the goose that lays the golden eggs, and that is why this wife does not enforce a committal order against her husband under a maintenance order.

Alderman Sir Harold Moore, at London Guildhall: I know business men in the City—some of them very successful—who cannot read or write. But most of them can draw some sort of signature.

[Jumpers with a pattern like streaked lightning are now the mode.]

Admittedly these lightning streaks

Of which the fashion writer speaks

Are pleasing to the view;

They cannot fail to catch the eye

And strike the casual passer-by,

As lightning's apt to do.

But none the less it seems to us

Indubitably dangerous

Such ornament to wear;

In many a household when the bill

Comes in for settlement there will

Be thunder in the air.

Examples of howlers perpetrated by boys are often published in the daily Press, but we rarely read of any by schoolgirls. A correspondent sends to a Home paper the following delightful batch of howlers gleaned from General Knowledge papers set to pupils of a girls' school:

Three explanations of "rule of thumb":

1. When a person can twist you round his little finger.

2. When Tom Thumb was King of England.

3. A quick way of doing sums.

A layette:

1. A workman who builds houses.

2. A small song.

Caoutchouc: You say it when you sneeze.

Tete-a-tete: Having tea twice.

Sémolina: A musical instrument.

Strychnine: A German plot.

Disestablishment: Moving a shop to new premises.

A Wrangler: A man fishing in a river or stream.

An old Blue: An old sailor.

Extradition: A tradition which is no more believed.

Vicarious: To act as a vicar would.

A Scot named Macintosh had an argument over his taxi fare. "Do you know who I am?" he asked proudly. "I am a Macintosh." "I don't care if you're a brand-new umbrella, I'll have my fare," said the driver.

EXCHANGE RATES.

| | London, Dec. 6. |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Paris | 124.15 |
| Genoa | 25.07 1/2 |
| Berlin | 20.85 1/2 |
| Oslo | 18.19 |
| Helsingfors | 102 1/2 |
| Athens | 87 1/2 |
| Buenos Aires | 47 1/2 |
| Hongkong | 2 1/2 |
| New York | 48 1/2 |
| Amsterdam | 12.07 1/2 |
| Stockholm | 13.15 |
| Vienna | 34.95 |
| Madrid | 30.03 |
| Bucharest | 81 1/2 |
| Bombay | 1 1/2 |
| Yokohama | 1 10 1/2 |
| Brussels | 34.85 |
| Milan | 92.65 |
| Copenhagen | 18.19 |
| Prague | 169 1/2 |
| Lisbon | 107 1/2 |
| Singapore | 6.30 1/2 |
| Shanghai | 2 1/2 |
| Silver (spot) | 28 1/2 |
| Silver (forward) | 28 1/2 |

—British Wireless.

HARBOUR MASTER AND LAWYER.**SPIRITED PASSAGES AT THE MARINE COURT.****PARTICULARS WANTED**

Spirited passages occurred between Mr. Horace Lo and the Marine Magistrate at a second sitting of the Court at noon to-day, when the Chuen On S.S. Company and Captain Thomas Jones, owners and master respectively of the Chuen Chow, were charged with allowing that vessel to be loaded so as to submerge, in salt water, the centre of the disc at 2.50 p.m. on December 4. Mr. H. Elvidge prosecuted on behalf of the Harbour Office, and Mr. Lo appeared for both owners and master, neither of whom registered an appearance.

Mr. Lo requested that a date be fixed for the hearing, as the vessel had not arrived as expected and he suggested 11.30 a.m. on some day next week.

His Worship:—Are you sure the ship will then be in?

Mr. Lo:—I think so.

Mr. Lo pointed out to his Worship that he was at present unacquainted with the full nature of the charge and would like to know to what extent the alleged submergence took place. If a breach had been committed, he thought that at this stage of the case he should be informed what was the full extent of the submergence. It might be one foot, or ten feet, or only half an inch, and he was entitled to know.

"Ask the Officer."

His Worship:—You had better ask the officer. As it is, the case stands adjourned until Wednesday at 11.30 a.m.

Questioned by Mr. Lo, Boarding Officer Elvidge replied that he would reserve his evidence until the court opened.

Mr. Lo, again referring to the submergence, pointed out that he was entitled to know exactly what had transpired, whether the vessel had submerged only a fraction of an inch or a foot.

His Worship ruled that irrespective of the point of submergence, an offence had been committed, according to the prosecution, and even if only a fraction of an inch was involved, it had no bearing on the ethics of the case.

Mr. Lo again insisted he was entitled to particulars, but his Worship said that if the officer did not wish to give the particulars, the case would have to stand as it was and evidence, which was not now given, would be taken at the hearing.

Prosecution's Duty.

Generally, said Mr. Lo, solicitors in charge of a case were given details, and it was the duty of the prosecution to provide such details. He had himself not seen the master and did not have any details to shape a defence.

Closing the Court, His Worship said that it did not matter how or in what respect an offence had been committed, for if committed it still remained an offence.

Other Cases.

Li Wing-tu, master of a fishing boat, was charged with mooring his craft in the Cable Area at Aberdeen, and, pleading guilty, stated that his anchor had dragged. A fine of \$10, with the usual alternative, was inflicted.

Wong Tak-cheung, charged with a similar offence, was remanded until 10 a.m. to-morrow, at the request of the officer conducting the case, he informing his Worship that a water pipe line had been damaged and that he was waiting information from the P.W.D. as to the extent of the damage caused.

HOUSE COLLAPSE VERDICT.**CULPABLE NEGLIGENCE AGAINST OWNERS.**

The inquest on the two women victims of the public-house collapse off City-road, London, on October 16, ended recently when the jury found that the accident was due to the culpable negligence of the surveyor's department of Messrs. Watney, Combe and Reid, the owners.

They also referred to "the risks of keeping the bars of this decrepit and prematurely old building open to business in this advanced state of demolition."

They expressed the opinion that a wooden post which supported an iron girder weighing a ton was in a rotten state. There was no blame attaching to the builder or the demolisher.

In a rider to their verdict the jury recommended that the Building Acts should be strengthened to provide for the inspection and control of demolition work being a duty imposed on local building authorities.

POWDERED GLASS AND PEPPER.**USED IN AN ATTACK BY HUSBAND.****DENIES ROBBING WIFE.**

The difficulty of deciding whether a Chinese who was charged, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, with larceny of clothing belonging to his "wife" and actually stolen the garments, had had her consent, confronted Mr. E. W. Hamilton, who, after hearing the evidence, said that it would be very dangerous to convict the defendant of theft, as it was possible the woman had given him permission to pawn the articles.

The defendant was charged on three counts, the first being one of assault and the other two being in respect of the theft of several articles of clothing.

On the first charge, the defendant pleaded guilty, but he denied that he stole the clothing, remarking that he had merely taken them to pawn. The third charge, which was alternative to the second, was disregarded.

His Worship pointed out to the defendant that his plea on the second charge was an admission of theft.

The defendant replied that the complainant was his wife.

In reply to his Worship, the complainant said that she had "followed" the defendant, but was not legally married to him.

According to the prosecution, the defendant was alleged to have thrown a quantity of powdered glass, mixed with pepper, into the woman's eyes on Wednesday night. Before she had time to recover from the unexpected attack, the man struck her over the head with a chair.

The defendant was later arrested and on him were found two pawn tickets for several articles of clothing which he had pawned. The complainant alleged that it was because she had remonstrated with the defendant for gambling that he struck her.

The defendant claimed that he had had the permission of the complainant before pawning the clothes. He said he wanted to get money for food. He denied that it was because he had been gambling that the trouble arose. He said he assaulted the woman because she had fallen in love with another man.

His Worship, after hearing the evidence, said it would be dangerous to convict the defendant of stealing. He pointed out that it was possible the garments were apparently pawned before the assault, that the woman knew all about it.

On the first charge, his Worship fined the defendant \$25, or one month's hard labour, in default.

LOCAL CRICKET.**DIOCESAN BOYS BEAT THE NAVY SECONDS.**

The Diocesan Boys' School defeated the Navy second eleven in a cricket match on Wednesday.

The Navy batted first but were all dismissed for 84, of which Lt. Com. Pears contributed no less than 51. R. Lee secured five wickets for 16 runs and J. L. Young-Sayo three for 22.

The D.B.S. had no difficulty in passing the Navy total and eventually made 132. Anderson was in great form, scoring 64. Timothy and Waters were the most successful bowlers for the Navy.

| Royal Navy 2nd XI. | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----|--|--|
| Lt. Com. Pears, b J. L. Young-Sayo | 56 | | |
| White, c Reed, b R. Lee | 1 | | |
| Timothy, b R. Lee | 13 | | |
| Fox, c G. A. Lee, b J. L. Young-Sayo | 2 | | |
| Buttery, run out | 1 | | |
| Rumsby, c Anderson, b R. Lee | 1 | | |
| Waters, c Kwan, b J. L. Young-Sayo | 0 | | |
| Sayo, c Jackson, b R. Lee | 7 | | |
| Sayers, b R. Lee | 1 | | |
| Bowman, not out | 2 | | |
| Extras | 0 | | |
| Total | 84 | | |

| Bowling Analysis. | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|----|----|
| | O. | M. | R. |
| R. Lee | 9.3 | 1 | 10 |
| W. H. Kwan | 2 | 12 | — |
| D. J. N. Anderson | 4 | 19 | — |
| P. Zimmerman | 2 | 11 | — |
| J. L. Young-Sayo | 3 | 22 | 3 |
| D. B. S. | | | |
| D. J. N. Anderson, c Sayers, b Waters | 64 | | |
| W. H. Kwan, b Timothy | 11 | | |
| P. Zimmerman, c and b Timothy | 1 | | |
| F. K. Lee, run out | 1 | | |
| J. L. Young-Sayo, c Bowman, b Timothy | 11 | | |
| G. A. Lee, b Timothy | 6 | | |
| R. Lee, c and b White | 8 | | |
| A. Prata, c Buttery, b Timothy | 8 | | |
| R. Reed, c sub, b Waters | 3 | | |
| G. Winch, b Waters | 1 | | |
| H. Jackson, not out | 10 | | |
| Extras | 5 | | |
| Total | 132 | | |

| Bowling Analysis. | | | |
|-------------------|-----|----|----|
| | O. | M. | R. |
| Timothy | 22 | 3 | 41 |
| Malcolm | 6 | 1 | 32 |
| Waters | 9.5 | 2 | 32 |
| Rumsby | 3 | 14 | — |
| White | 2 | 1 | 8 |

HONGKONG'S AMATEUR ARTISTS.**ANNUAL EXHIBITION NEXT WEEK.**

Members of the Hongkong Art Club, a group of enthusiastic amateurs, are holding their annual exhibition on Wednesday and Thursday next, from 10.30 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day. On this occasion, the exhibition is being held on the top storey of Pedder Building, which has been kindly loaned for the occasion.

It is interesting to note that the Art Club is a continuation of one started about forty-six years ago in a small way. Although little is known of its early days, during more recent years the Club has acquired such a degree of popularity that, in addition to monthly meetings, annual exhibitions of the work of the members have been held. With the constantly changing

About Hong Kong**Do you know that—**

A wooden hulk was formerly used as a Water Police Station?

This craft was destroyed by fire in 1884, but no casualties were suffered. She was originally the "John Adams," employed in the opium trade and was bought by the Government in 1868. After the fire, the hull was blown to pieces by a torpedo from H.M.S. Merlin.

For a few months afterwards, the Water Police were accommodated at Crosby's Store on the Praya, but in September they were transferred to the new Station at Tsim Tsa Tsui on its being opened.

ing population of the Colony, the membership has varied from year to year, but on more than one occasion, owing to the large number of pictures, the annual exhibition has had to be held in the City Hall. The pictures exhibited on these and other occasions have shown a high standard of merit, and it is confidently expected that this will be well maintained at the forthcoming exhibition next week.

This year, there will be about 150 pictures on view, water colours predominating, but there will also be some charming works in both oil and pastel. Some of the pictures will be for sale, and anyone desirous of possessing artistic views of Hongkong should not fail to pay the exhibition a visit.

During the past two or three years some excellent pictures have been shown by the Chinese members, and it is hoped that as time goes on there will be an increased interest in the Club by the Chinese community.

K.C.C. beat H.M.S. Titania.

The K.C.C. entertained H.M.S. Titania yesterday at cricket, and won by 7 runs.

The home team batted first, and made 161 runs for the loss of 5 wickets. Brace scoring 67, L. A. H. Laithe 67 not out, L. H. A. R. Puttee 27.

The Titania replied with 154, L. A. Giles scoring 37 and Pay. Com. Littleton 21.



"Yer drivin' a right smart 'clip, to-day, Ed."
"I've got a letter that came by air mail for Ike Turner and I ain't one to hold up progress."

HANOI COMMERCIAL FAIR.**PROVIDES OBJECT LESSON FOR CHINA.****HAINAN REPRESENTED**

It is happy to note that some South China provinces like Kwangsi, Yunnan, and Kwangtung are endeavouring to make their trade and industry better known abroad through such more or less international channels as the Hanoi Commercial Fair, an institution under the patronage of the Government-General of Indo-China and the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce and the Department of Agriculture of Tonkin. This Fair opened on November 24 and will continue to December 5.

To promote the trade of the island of Hainan, a part of Kwangtung Province, the local Government at Hoihow afforded financial assistance for merchants there to participate, and General Gaston K. Huang (Wong Keung) and General Tsai Ting-kai, two enterprising officials of these districts, personally escorted a group of Chinese merchants to the Fair and saw to the display of the goods sent to the exhibition for sale.

Opening of Fair.

On the opening of the Fair on November 24, at which the acting Governor-General and the President of the Chamber of Commerce officiated, Generals Huang and Tsai were personally conducted to the Fair Ground from their temporary residence by M. Roger Garreau, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs of the Government-General of Indo-China.

The Hainan Pavilion was one of the very first inspected by the official party, and the success of the enterprise may be gathered from the sales of the first few days, which amounted to more than \$2,000 each. Generals Huang and Tsai had returned to Hainan before the close of the Fair, but they left Hanoi well pleased with the result of their efforts, whilst the Chinese community in Hanoi only regretted that the Province of Kwangtung as a whole did not take the opportunity offered by the Fair. Yunnan, another South China province, was also officially assigned a place at the Fair, but late arrival of her goods had made it impossible for her fully to realise the benefit.

Kwangsi Official.

Kwangsi, a neighbour of Kwangtung, was not represented in the display of products, but she had at the Fair an official, Mr. Hui Wong, foreign secretary of the Kwangsi Exposition Organisation Commission.

Mr. Wong's special mission to Indo-China during the Hanoi Fair was formally to invite the merchants of that country to participate in the forthcoming Kwangsi Exposition to be held at Lichow, Kwangsi, from October 10th, 1929, and to observe the management of the Hanoi Fair in the interests of the direction of the Lichow venture. Mr. Wong, whose visit was first communicated to the authorities in Indo-China by the French Consuls at Lungchow and Hongkong, was accorded every possible courtesy, and among the officials he met were the chiefs of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs, Economic Affairs, Publicity, and

ARMED ROBBERY AT YAUMATI.**THREE MEN RAID FIREWOOD SHOP AT NIGHT.****VERY LITTLE BOOTY.**

Shortly after nine o'clock last night, armed robbers raided a firewood shop at 16, Argyle Street, Yaumati, and later decamped with booty valued at over \$100.

The shop had just put up its shutters, preparatory to closing down for the night, when a man entered and commenced to bargain for a load of firewood. On his heels there followed two other men, and as soon as all three were inside the shop, they produced weapons and revealed the true purpose of their visit.

The master and folds of the shop were driven into the back portion of the premises, and a search was then conducted by the visitors for money and other valuables. The robbers rifled the till and also stole several pieces of clothing and when they left some minutes later they took away booty valued at \$126.

In a report to the police, it is stated that two of the men were armed with knives, while the third had a revolver.

No arrests have been effected so far.

SIR HENRY MAYBURY.**TO PRACTISE AS CONSULTING ENGINEER.**

London, Nov. 8.
Sir Henry Maybury, Director-General of Roads, whose resignation was announced yesterday, intends to start practice as a consulting engineer.

His resignation taken effect on December 31, and he will then open an office in Westminster. His services will still be retained by the Ministry of Transport for consultation on matters connected with roads, bridges, and traffic.

Sir Henry is 64 years of age. It was stated in the official announcement, published in the Morning Post yesterday, that he was resigning, "having exceeded the customary age for retirement in the Civil Service."

Although it has been known for some time past that Sir Henry has been contemplating retirement, the actual announcement has aroused considerable interest.

the Presidents of the Chambers of Commerce at Hanoi and Haiphong.

Mr. Wong was assisted in his visits to the several French and Chinese organisations at Hanoi by Mr. Sene Kuanq Voy, vice-president of the Canton Guild at Hanoi, and a recognized Chinese representative of that city. Mr. Wong took every opportunity he had to explain both to the non-Chinese and the Chinese he met at Indo-China the recent progress made in the provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

Indo-China will be represented at the coming Exposition at Lichow, Kwangsi, but the extent, of course, will depend on the public highway, water traffic, and the condition of the country at the time.

Netherland Indies and Japan were also represented at the Hanoi Fair, besides the several Provinces comprising Indo-China.

Japan's Display.

Through the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce at Osaka, altogether 27 localities in Japan with 105 firms had goods displayed in the Pavilion specially provided for the Island Empire. The path leading to the Japanese pavilion had an arch above the entrance, and Japanese flags and lanterns helped to make the surroundings distinctive.

Netherland Indies did not make any extensive attempt to market her wares, but showed products with charts noting the growth of various industries since 1900. The industrial progress of this country may be seen by the report of last year, when exports totalled TL. 1,643,864,032 and imports, TL. 927,040,266.

China's Chance.

There is nothing in Indo-China which China cannot make or produce, judging by the standards on which Indo-Chinese were displayed, but China and the Chinese merchants must awaken to the fact that the people in Indo-China have been improving their works and products, and that the Government, through experiment stations and other efforts, have been assisting industries and agriculture along. Therefore unless the Chinese traders also co-operate, Indo-Chinese and Japanese goods will replace those formerly exported by China.

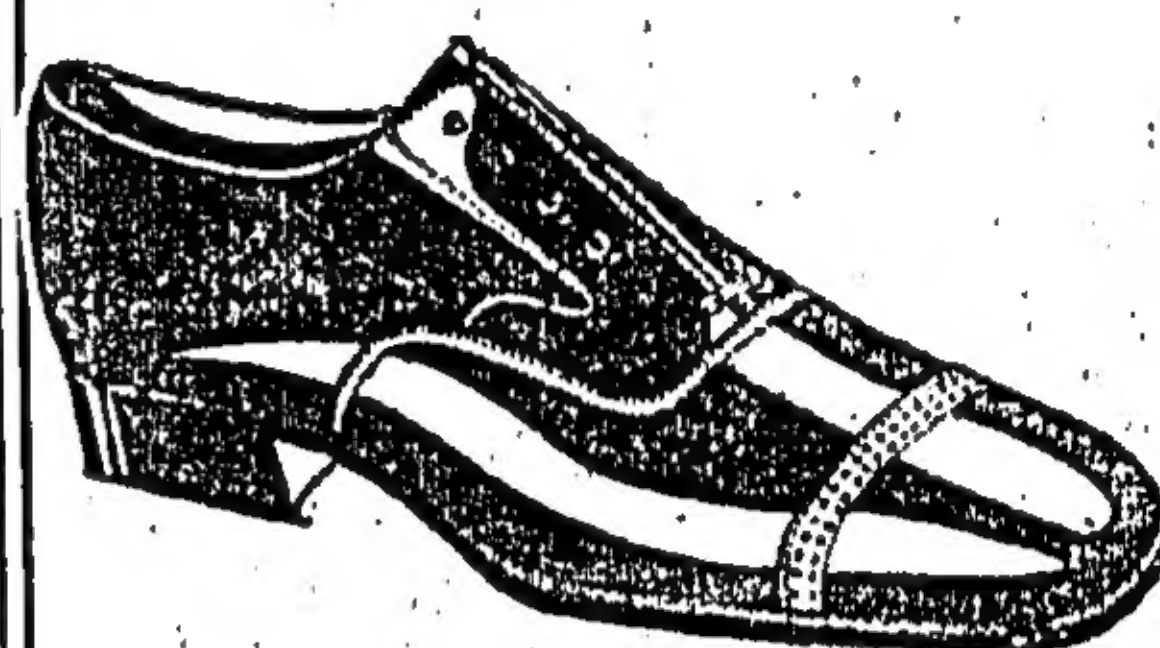
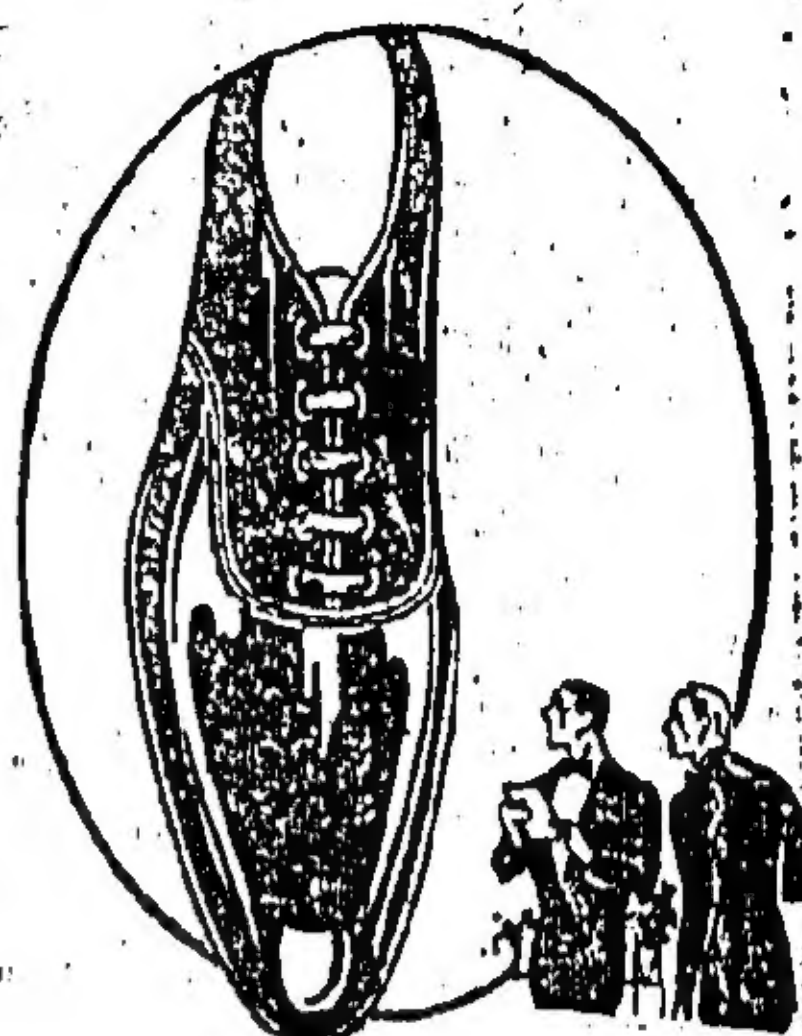
The principal states in Indo-China, such as Annam have tourist and trade information offices to attract visitors and boost their trade, but so far China has done very little in this matter. The Government General of Indo-China has a special office to direct all publicity.

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INTERESTING SENIOR MATCHES.

QUEEN'S VISITING KOWLOON GROUND.

NEW TEST FOR POLICE.

[By "Wanderer."]

The second week in December finds the League competitions advanced little beyond the stage where the majority of the teams have completed a third of their fixtures. It is to be hoped that the Committee or officials responsible will do their best to catch up the arrears.

The programme for to-morrow is practically full, but South China is afforded a rest in the Senior Division.

The senior matches provide plenty of variety in a series of interesting matches, and the order of the day should be either low or very close scoring.

The Police having come to the fore with a victory against the Queen's will attract a big crowd to the Club ground apart from those who habitually follow the Chinese Athletic. The game looks to be the most promising on the list, though again the chances are that the contest will be between the Police defence and the opposing attack.

The fixtures, together with grounds and times of kick-off, are appended:

| Senior Division. | |
|--|--|
| K.O.S.B. v. Recreation—Recreation, 4 p.m. | |
| Chinese Ath. v. Police—Club, 4 p.m. | |
| Queen's v. Kowloon—Kowloon, 4 p.m. | |
| R.A. v. H.K.F.C.—Sookumpoo, 4 p.m. | |
| Navy v. Small Units—Caroline Hill, 4 p.m. | |
| Junior Division. | |
| R.A.F. v. Queen's—Recreation, 2.30 p.m. | |
| Navy v. Small Units, Navy, 2.30 p.m. | |
| S. China "B" v. Eastern—Sookumpoo, 2.30 p.m. | |
| S. China "A" v. St. Joseph's—S. China, 2.30 p.m. | |
| Kowloon v. Recreation—Kowloon, 2.30 p.m. | |
| Chinese v. K.O.S.B.—Club, 2.30 p.m. | |

Police Strength.

The steadiness of the Police defence which has brought them unexpected points against the K.O.S.B. and Queen's in successive matches, being the first side to defeat the Royals, makes them well favoured for the big match on Saturday against the Chinese Athletic. It would be fatal to assume that the prospects are good; rather do I think that the Chinese will prove a little too quick on the ball for the Police. The Athletic forward line is in excellent form just now and their extra bit here should be the main factor in the result.

Borderers Favoured.

The Borderers meet the Recreation and go to the Recreation ground at King's Park. The draw of the Portuguese players last week was an excellent performance in the circumstances. The Borderers, however, begin strong favourites. The league leaders, the Queen's Royal Regiment, meet Kowloon, and though officially down to be played on the Chatham Road ground, it is more than likely that the more amenable Kowloon ground will be made use of. Kowloon are practically unchanged from the team which turned out or should have done last week, a rare happening, but though they recorded their first victory the success is not sufficient to inspire them to win again to-morrow. The Queen's were at fault in many ways last week, but one cannot suppose they have not learned their salutary lesson. The Royal Artillery and the Club, who meet on the Sookumpoo ground, are evenly matched, and a drawn game would not surprise. The Navy should register a victory against the Small Units, who are improving slowly.

The Junior Games.

No decision other than the suspension of the Queen's—ever who struck an opponent in the Chinese Athletic match has yet been reached with regard to the disgraceful affair of recently. The Committee

LOCAL CRICKET.

THE ANNUAL UNIVERSITY MATCH.

On the H.K.C.C. ground yesterday, the annual match between teams representing Oxford and Cambridge Universities took place, the result being an easy win for Cambridge. Oxford batted first and were all disposed of for 127, to which Cambridge replied with 213 for four wickets, a feature of the innings being the batting of C. E. Abelson, who made 101 before retiring. Scores:

Oxford.

| | |
|---|--|
| G. R. Sayer (Queen's), c. Quick, b. Hamilton, 2 | |
| A. E. Wood (Univ.), c. Barrow, b. Wallington, 47 | |
| L. T. Ride (New Coll.), run out, 3 | |
| R. H. Dowler (B.N.C.), b. Pendered, 25 | |
| B. C. K. Hawkins (Hertford), b. Pendered, 33 | |
| N. L. Smith (Queen's), c. Traves, b. Wallington, 1 | |
| W. T. Featherstone (Wadham), not out, 4 | |
| N. Evans (Queen's), c. Barrow, b. Pendered, 0 | |
| H. V. Koop (Wadham), c. Abelson, b. Wallington, 3 | |
| H. S. Mok (St. Cath.), b. Wallington, 0 | |
| A. C. Braine-Hartnell (Univ.), c. Abelson, b. Wallington, 0 | |
| Extras, 9 | |
| Total, 127 | |

Bowling Analysis.

| | O. | M. | R. | W. |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|
| E. W. Hamilton, 6 | 1 | 16 | 1 | |
| E. K. Quick, 7 | 0 | 26 | 0 | |
| J. Barrow, 3 | 0 | 23 | 0 | |
| H. G. Wallington, 9 | 2 | 26 | 5 | |
| T. D. E. Pendered, 7 | 1 | 27 | 3 | |

Cambridge.

| | |
|---|--|
| C. E. Abelson (Downing), retired, 101 | |
| O. Moor (Trinity), c. Dowler, b. Hawkins, 34 | |
| J. Barrow (Trinity), c. Featherstone, b. Sayer, 22 | |
| E. K. Quick (Jesus), b. Koop, b. Pendered (Jesus), 17 | |
| T. D. E. Pendered (Jesus), not out, 25 | |
| P. H. Traves (Jesus), not out, 14 | |
| Extras, 14 | |
| Total, 213 | |

H. G. Wallington (Downing), G. S. Hugh Jones (Selwyn), Ng Sze Cheung (King's), R. Moreton (Jesus), E. W. Hamilton (Sid. Sussex), did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

| | O. | M. | R. | W. |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|
| G. R. Sayer, 10 | 0 | 73 | 1 | |
| L. T. Ride, 6 | 0 | 45 | 0 | |
| Dowler, 2 | 0 | 25 | 0 | |
| Hawkins, 5 | 0 | 40 | 1 | |
| Koop, 3 | 0 | 15 | 1 | |

are awaiting the appearance of the referee to give evidence personally before meeting out what punishment they consider is due. It goes almost without saying, however, that the result of the match will be allowed to stand and in the League table given below this is taken into account.

Of the matches to be played to-morrow, there is none of importance, affecting the leadership. The Queen's, Navy, Eastern, and South China "A" should be among the list of winners.

League Tables.

The league tables are as follows:

| Division I. | | | | |
|-------------|----|----|----|----|
| | P. | W. | D. | L. |
| Queen's | 8 | 7 | 0 | 1 |
| S. China | 7 | 0 | 1 | 16 |
| K.O.S.B. | 4 | 4 | 1 | 19 |
| Athletic | 4 | 4 | 1 | 18 |
| Recreation | 7 | 3 | 2 | 24 |
| Police | 6 | 3 | 1 | 13 |
| R.A. | 7 | 3 | 0 | 4 |
| Kowloon | 7 | 1 | 3 | 8 |
| Navy | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| H.K.F.C. | 7 | 1 | 5 | 10 |
| S. Units | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 |

| Division II. | | | | |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|
| | P. | W. | D. | L. |
| K.O.S.B. | 8 | 7 | 0 | 1 |
| Queen's | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 |
| Navy | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Athletic | 0 | 5 | 0 | 1 |
| Eastern | 7 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| R.A.F. | 0 | 3 | 1 | 5 |
| S. C. "A" | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| S. C. "B" | 7 | 3 | 0 | 4 |
| S. Units | 0 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| Uversity | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| St. Joseph's | 7 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Kowloon | 7 | 2 | 0 | 5 |
| R.A. | 6 | 1 | 1 | 4 |

LOCAL BILLIARDS.

NARROW WIN FOR ST. PATRICK'S CLUB.

The return billiards match between the St. Patrick's Club and the Catholic Union Club played last night on the St. Patrick's table, resulted in a win for St. Patrick's by the very narrow margin of two points. Mr. A. A. Rodrigues, for the losers made a break of 47. Scores:

St. Patrick's.

| | |
|----------------|-------|
| James | 138 |
| L. E. Remedios | 200 |
| Moulder | 180 |
| Graham | 200 |
| Painter | 114 |
| F. M. Cruz | 200 |
| Total | 1,032 |

Catholic Union.

| | |
|------------------------|-------|
| A. A. Rodrigues | 200 |
| J. M. Ribeiro | 163 |
| S. M. Cruz Jr. | 200 |
| A. J. M. Rodrigues Jr. | 197 |
| M. A. Baptista | 200 |
| C. F. Vaz | 80 |
| Total | 1,030 |

HONGKONG LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB.

There will be an Inter-Club match on Saturday 8th December, at Happy Valley, when the following, representing the Tai Koo Section, P. Cousins, B. Luing, M. Wallace, E. Russell, E. O'Hagan, M. Russell, I. Bell, N. McNeillie, B. Baker, M. Hansen, and J. Whyte, will play the following ladies, representing the rest of the Club: A. Steel, E. J. Coppin, M. B. Bird, A. Tassart, J. Andrews, A. Owen-Hughes, M. J. Jarvis, P. Goodall, D. Stanion, M. Riggs, E. R. Bell.

SNOOKER CONTEST.

PROGRESS OF THE LOCAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

At the Palace Hotel last night, in the snooker championship contest, P. E. Silva beat A. Lewis by 221 (68, 81, 82) to 121 (40, 24, 57). At 9 o'clock to-night, C. Earnshaw will meet H. da Luz.

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

The starting times for golf at Fanling on Sunday are:

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| 9.25 a.m.—R. H. Hollis and K. S. Robertson. | |
| 9.30 a.m.—J. M. Walker and A. E. Lissaman. | |
| 9.35 a.m.—A. T. Lay and O. E. C. Marton. | |
| 9.40 a.m.—T. L. Christie and F. J. de Rome. | |
| 9.45 a.m.—H. H. Lennox and A. H. Ferguson. | |
| 9.50 a.m.—I. W. Showan and T. G. Bennett. | |
| 9.55 a.m.—D. G. G. MacDonald and L. R. Andrewes. | |
| 10.00 a.m.—L. Yates and E. Stone. | |
| 10.04 a.m.—H. G. Howard and J. M. Norrie. | |
| 10.08 a.m.—E. R. Hallifax and A. B. Raworth. | |
| 10.12 a.m.—E. Davidson and C. B. Johnson. | |
| 10.16 a.m.—F. A. Merry and Major Beamish. | |
| 10.20 a.m.—A. Leach and A. B. Purves. | |
| 10.34 a.m.—J. Coulthart and C. W. Jefferies. | |
| 10.28 a.m.—A. R. Cox and D. M. Goodall. | |
| 10.32 a.m.—J. S. Dykes and W. A. Weight. | |
| 10.36 a.m.—T. Grant and J. Cameron. | |
| 10.40 a.m.—W. J. Clark and E. D. Lawrence. | |
| 10.44 a.m.—D. L. MacWhirter and N. K. Littlejohn. | |
| 10.48 a.m.—B. J. Lecon and V. Benjamin. | |
| 10.52 a.m.—N. L. Smith and H. U. Ireland. | |
| 10.56 a.m.—K. L. Dugan and H. A. Lammert. | |
| 11.00 a.m.—J. P. Sherry and R. J. J. Sneddon. | |
| 11.04 a.m.—T. F. Chubb and J. D. Humphreys. | |
| 11.08 a.m.—H. D. Browne and M. M. Maas. | |
| 11.12 a.m.—C. P. Ross and H. Spicer. | |
| 11.16 a.m.—J. D. Thomson and G. H. Wilson. | |
| 11.20 a.m.—S. T. Butlin and W. J. S. Key. | |
| 11.24 a.m.—L. Garner and G. W. Garrett. | |
| 11.28 a.m.—W. C. Clark and T. A. Martin. | |
| 11.32 a.m.—J. Gardner and A. Webster. | |

OPEN MIXED DOUBLES.

THREE THIRD ROUND MATCHES PLAYED.

Three matches in the third round of the Open Mixed Doubles Championship organized by the Chinese Recreation Club were played off at Causeway Bay yesterday afternoon, and resulted in two United Services Recreation Club pairs qualifying for the semi-final, where they meet each other.

In the third match Major Lucas, partnered by Mrs. Donald Smith, also representing the U. S. E. C., were eliminated by Owen Hughes and Mrs. Miles after a strenuous fight, extending over the full three sets. The full results were:
Dr. and Mrs. Tottenham (U.S.E.C.) beat Horace Lo and Miss Laird (Chinese R. C.), 7-6, 6-2.
Lieut. and Mrs. Hale (U.S.E.C.) beat Mrs. McCaw and P. M. Plaguet (Kowloon C. C.), 9-7, 6-3.
H. Owen Hughes and Mrs. Miles (Hongkong C. C.) beat Major Lucas and Mrs. Donald Smith (U.S.E.C.) 7-5, 4-0, 6-2.

ROSE SUGGESTED AS CHINA'S FLOWER.

STATE COUNCIL TO DECIDE UPON EMBLEM.

Nanking, Nov. 29. The winter rose may be adopted as the national flower of China. The proposal was made by the Ministry of the Interior at a recent meeting of the Administrative Yuan and was referred to the Ministry of Education for examination. The selection was approved by the Ministry of Education, which highly recommended its adoption.

The winter rose is stated to represent in many ways the beauty and purity of the race and its civilization, and the ability of the Chinese people to endure hardship. The proposal will shortly be brought up before the State Council for official adoption.—*Reuter.*

Playing at King's Park yesterday, the St. Andrew's Club hockey team beat the Y.M.C.A. second eleven, by three goals to one.

Guildford Diocesan Conference has unanimously adopted a recommendation that the site for the proposed new cathedral should be on the top of Stag Hill.

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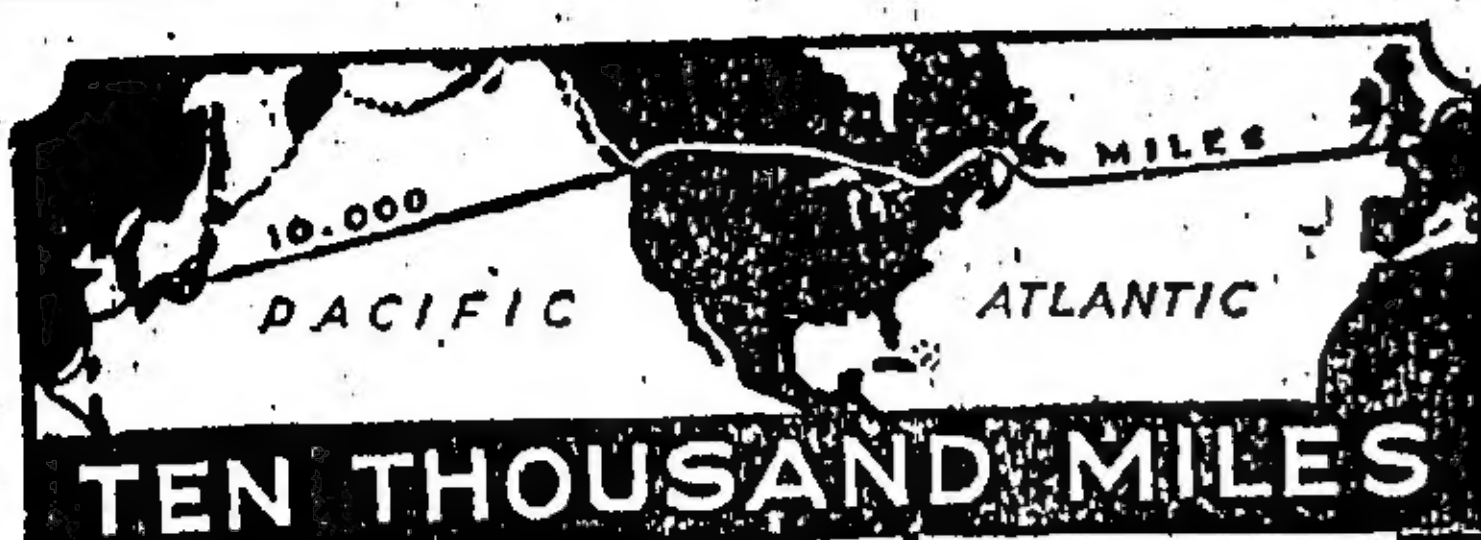
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FREE DRINKS ON THE MAIDEN TRIP.

A Marine Court of Enquiry assembled at the Harbour Office yesterday afternoon to investigate charges against Mr. P. Scully, late Chief Officer of the s.s. "Chuen Chow," involving allegations of drunkenness and misconduct whilst the vessel was en route to Macao on November 23, 24, and 25, and the dates in question, including remarks relative to the log, including remarks relative to the log, including remarks relative to the log.

The enquiry was called for by the Harbour Master and the Constable of the Court was as follows:—Mr. W. H. Hoagwood, (Deputy Harbour Master) President; Lieut.-Commander J. E. Caffin, H.M.S. Cumberland; Captain R. T. Hughes, master of the s.s. "Tyndareus"; Captain E. B. Bishop, master of the s.s. "Chakaang"; Captain H. W. Walker, master of the s.s. "Kwong Tung."

Mr. Scully was appointed to the s.s. "Chuen Chow" on the recent completion of that vessel at the Kwong Fook Cheong Shipyard and is the holder of a river master's certificate. He signed on for the maiden trip of the s.s. "Chuen Chow," leaving here for Macao at 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 24. The subsequent developments were related in the charges, read in open Court.

Defendant pleaded guilty, being legally represented by Mr. Leo D'Almada, Esq.

Captain Thomas Jones was the first witness, called, but before evidence was taken, Mr. D'Almada called attention to the fact that the accused had pleaded guilty. He wished to discontinue the trial and at the same time save time. He was not going to the Court to proceed with the trial, but wished to place before the officers certain facts in mitigation of the offence with which Mr. Scully was charged.

The President of the Court stated that it was only necessary for the Court to substantiate the log entry and take evidence from the Master and Mr. Heggam, as to its veracity.

Mr. D'Almada added that he had no desire to question or cross-examine any witnesses that might be produced.

Captain Jones read the log entries as from November 24, to November 25, and during the stay of the s.s. "Chuen Chow" at Macao on November 25: Mr. P. Scully, mate, was under the influence of liquor on board, said the witness, and was subsequently put under arrest by the Macao Police.

He was released on Sunday at 10 p.m. and brought back on board. The witness observed that he was still under the influence of liquor on Monday, November 26, and no duty had been done by him since joining on November 24. The log entry had not been read to accused, as he was not in a fit state to understand.

In reply to Mr. D'Almada, witness said that he did not previously know Mr. Scully.

Arrested by Police.

Witness, replying to the President, stated that Mr. Scully had at no time carried out duties. The ship had left Hongkong at 2 p.m. on November 24 and loading was completed before Mr. Scully came on board.

Mr. Scully left ship on arrival at Hongkong on November 26, but witness had not approached Mr. Scully, as he was not in a fit condition to understand anything that was said.

In reply to further questions by members of the Court, witness said that Mr. Scully was unfit when the vessel left on Saturday, November 24. He was arrested on board by the Macao Police when he became troublesome. As to drinks, the vessel had been a free ship on Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Scully was in confinement in the Harbour Office at Macao on Sunday evening.

Mr. D'Almada, cross-examining witness, ascertained that at no time did Mr. Scully's conduct impede the navigation of the vessel.

Apologised for Conduct.

The President further questioned witness as to Mr. Scully's conduct between his arrival on board at 10 p.m. on Sunday and reaching Hongkong. Witness replied that when Mr. Scully came on board on Sunday evening, he appeared to be perfectly sober and appeared to be perfectly sober and appeared to be perfectly sober.

No steps were taken to prevent him getting liquor. The liquor apparently came from ship's stores, there being a free bar and the owners supplying all and sundry on the occasion of a celebration. No instructions had been issued not to serve Mr. Scully.

In reply to further questions, witness said he kept all watches from the time the vessel left Hongkong, until she returned.

Mr. H. Heggam was then called and as Chief Engineer, mainly engaged below on the first trip, stated in evidence that during his brief intervals off duty he observed Mr. Scully taking "a drink or two" with passengers. When Mr. Scully came on board on Sunday night, witness was in bed and was awakened by the Police officer accompanying him, who was in search of the master. Mr. Scully, who remained in the cabin for about 15 minutes, was then quite sober.

The purser of the vessel, Mr. Ng Wing-sun, stated that he saw Mr. Scully drunk on Sunday. He was staggering and was taking himself objectionable and so far as witness knew, he did no duty whilst on board. Mr. Scully's drink was obtained through the steward.

Ng Wing-kee, steward of the vessel, stated that there were many visitors on board at Macao and he saw that Mr. Scully was taking too much liquor. He asked this officer to go to his cabin and took all glasses away, fearing breaking. The liquor was free to all Europeans at Macao, owing to the incidence of the vessel's maiden trip, but ordinarily such generosity would not be in evidence.

Mr. Scully had mixed up with the passengers and taken a large number of drinks, but there was no serious disturbance. Although all drinks were free to visitors, Mr. Scully, having an account with the steward, was paying for his own. Observing Mr. Scully's condition, witness requested the Chief Steward to stop his supply. Witness informed the master of Mr. Scully's condition.

Everything Admitted.

Mr. Scully was then put in the box and identified his river master's certificate.

Mr. D'Almada pleaded mitigation and desired to explain facts. Mr. Scully admitted all accusations and threw himself on the mercy of the Court. Although certain extraneous matters might be introduced, Mr. Scully would say that under the circumstances, he did not know what he was doing.

Mr. Scully himself said that he had taken the ship's draft before leaving on November 24 and kept watch for about one and a half hours towards Macao, and then went off to take his usual place for berthing the vessel. He admitted being "light" in Macao, certain friends having come on board to see him. That was all the evidence he could give the Court.

Mr. D'Almada produced the Naval parchment certificate of Mr. Scully, which showed that he had joined H.M. Navy in 1899 with service counting from 1901. He had passed professionally as leading Seaman and educationally as Petty Officer, eventually leaving the Service by purchase in March, 1912. During the time he had served, his character and ability were described as Very Good and he had never been court-martialled for breaches of conduct. He had also been granted two good conduct badges. After leaving H.M. Navy, Mr. Scully had been a candidate for master in the merchant service but had failed on two occasions. He was subsequently successful in obtaining a river master's "ticket" and from 1920 had served in vessels on the (Continued on Page 11.)

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LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page. MINOR, MINER, MINES, MITES, MOTES, NOTES.

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river. As to local capabilities, Mr. D'Almada produced references.

Up to June 14 last, he was master of the Anjou and he was only dismissed from that post owing to a letter being received by the owners from the Harbour Master, as to the availability of his certificate, based on an enactment of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance.

An Indiscretion.

Having established Mr. Scully's previous good conduct and produced evidence that his dismissal from the Anjou was due to the Harbour Master's construction of the Merchant Shipping Act, Mr. D'Almada pleaded that having been so long out of a job, Mr. Scully was overjoyed at the prospect of once more being in employment, his wife at the time being seriously ill, and he "fubled" too much. Placed in such a position, he was indiscreet, and it was admitted that he had committed a lapse. Nobody was more sorry than Mr. Scully and Mr. D'Almada requested the Court to take into consideration the honourable career of this ex-Serviceman. The master had not interfered with so many free drinks available, and the occasion being what it was, Mr. D'Almada, realising that it was a serious offence, thought that under the circumstances a caution would well meet the case, and the repetition of such an offence would, then probably be avoided.

In reply to Captain Walker, Mr. Scully said he did not remember who was responsible for telling him to go to his room. At the same time, he remembered being brought on board by the Macao Police and subsequently taking more drink.

The decision of the Court was as follows:—

"We find that Mr. Patrick Scully, mate of the s.s. Chuen Chow, holding a certificate of competency as master for river trade only, was guilty of misconduct (drunkenness), on board on November 24, 25 and 26 and we adjudge that he be severely censured. The Board further adds that they consider that the master was at fault in not preventing Mr. Patrick Scully from obtaining further alcohol when he first observed his condition."

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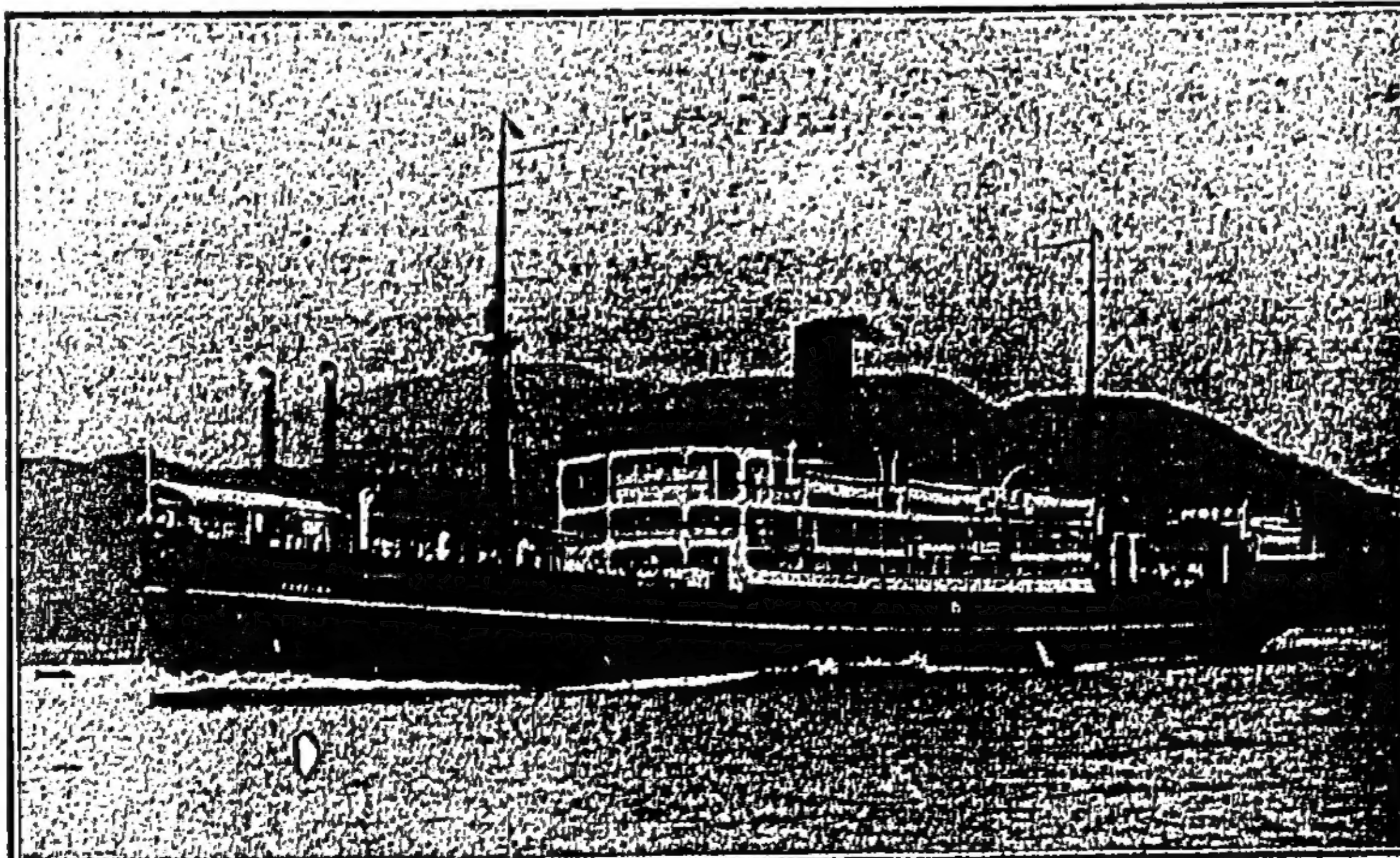
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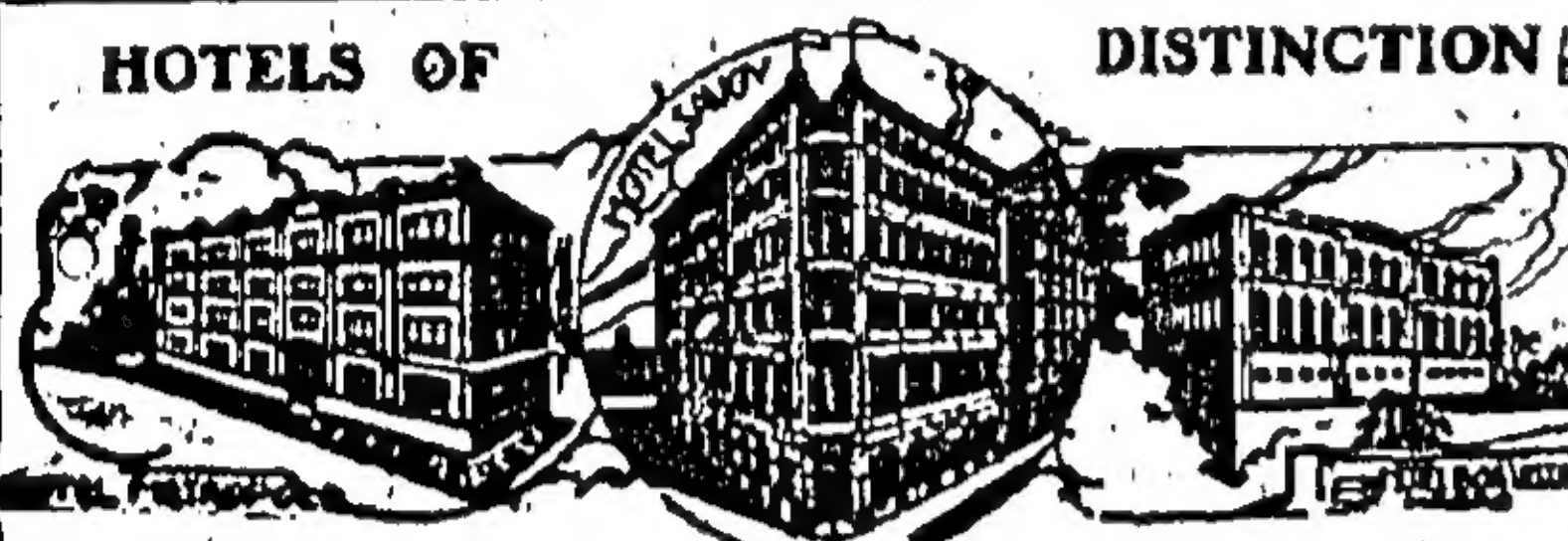
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COMMUNISM AT ITS WORST.

TOWNS AND VILLAGES NOT PULLING THEIR WEIGHT.

"GREAT" EXPERIMENT.

Riga, Dec. 6.
Speaking at a Communist Conference at Leningrad to-day, M. Rykoff referred at considerable length to the danger of a possible breach between town and village owing to the inability of one to supply the needs of the other. He said that although the population of Russia was increasing by 3,000,000 annually, the present cultivated area was less than in 1913, while the average yield was ten per cent. below that of the years before the War. Peasants only sold sufficient grain to cover the taxes and were not inclined to provide more as the towns failed to supply the villages with industrial products. M. Rykoff expressed the fear that the danger of an "explosion of the entire scheme and system of industrialisation" is acute.—*Reuter*.

NO CONVICTION IN "FISHY" CASE.

SCAVENGING COOLIE AND A BIG JAR.

A charge of being in possession of a huge jar reasonably suspected to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained was brought against a scavenging coolie before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Defendant said that he had instructions to collect broken articles which he found lying about the streets and to convey them to the rubbish cart. It was pointed out that the jar was not broken in any way. Inspector Roylance, called to give evidence, informed his Worship that defendant at the time of his arrest was on duty. His Worship—His remark about instructions given about broken things is actually correct? I believe?—Yes, your Worship. His Worship remarked that although it looked very fishy, he could not convict on the evidence. He didn't like the look of the case but it was difficult to see how the defendant expected to escape the notice of Inspector Roylance who might see him at any moment. The defendant was given the benefit of the doubt and discharged.

BIRCHING IN LIEU OF NINE MONTHS.

SENTENCE ON RETURNED BANISHEE.

A Chinese who was sentenced to twelve months' hard labour last year for returning from banishment was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with a similar offence. The defendant, when informed of his previous conviction said that on this occasion he was merely passing through Hongkong on his way abroad. His Worship—I suppose that's what you said last time. Sentence of three months' hard labour and 15 strokes of the birch was imposed. If the defendant, after examination, be certified as unfit for birching, the alternative was a further nine months' hard labour.

FOOLISH EXCUSE.

PAID TO CARRY FOUR CRABS.

You must think I'm a fool," remarked Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a Chinese who was charged with carrying crabs, said he had been asked to carry them by a woman who was following at a distance. The defendant said that he was given the crabs at the Yaumatei Ferry and asked to carry them. The woman, who was to have paid him twenty cents followed some distance behind. Sergeant Hargreaves pointed out that it was unlikely that a Chinese woman would pay a man to carry four crabs. His Worship imposed a fine of \$5 or seven days.

FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone over China is unchanged. Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the South East Coast of China and over the North China Sea. The forecast till noon to-morrow is—North East winds, fresh; fine to cloudy.

EFFECT OF WATER RESTRICTION.

DECREASED CONSUMPTION IN NOVEMBER.

KOWLOON BETTER OFF.

The effect of confining residents in the rider main districts to water supply from street fountains is shown in the monthly statement issued by the Water Authority disclosing the amount of water in storage in the Colony on December 1st. The figures given for November, the first full month of supply by street fountains, reveal that the total consumption on the island was 196.17 million gallons, as compared with 233.83 last year. The daily consumption per head of the population was 15.3 gallons, as against 22.7 gallons last year. In comparing these figures, it should be remembered that in November last year there was a full supply in all rider main districts up to the 18th of the month, after which there was a restricted supply in the districts west of Eastern Street. The total storage in Hongkong reservoirs on December 1st was 1,201.83 million gallons, compared with 1,701.25 last year. In Kowloon, the reservoir contents on December 1st showed an increase over those on the same date last year, the respective figures being 542.60 million gallons and 399.71, whilst the consumption per head per day has risen from 19.1 gallons to 20.9. The total rainfall from January to November inclusive was 71.14 inches, compared with 106.50 for the same period last year.

VESTRIS SINGING FINDINGS.

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Boat number eight, to which Mr. Dana was assigned, was holed as it was let down. The hole was patched up with a piece of tin but the tin did not hold. The boat contained ten women and two children and a crew of four negroes.

Ship Goes Down.

The ship heeled over and sank three minutes after they pulled away. The 40 men who were left on board raced down the side of the ship and dived off as she sank with one boat still on deck. The boat on the starboard side was cut away and rowed round and picked up a lot of swimmers. Mr. Dana's boat began to fill and capsized. One woman was drowned. The others righted the boat and climbed in, but the waves pounded the boat to pieces. Children and women disappeared with the exception of Mrs. Ball. She and Mr. Dana swam to a piece of wreckage and clung to it. The water was warm, but great waves crashed down on them, almost knocking the life of their bodies and smothering them. They were picked up by the "American Shipper". It has since being revealed that all the children on the doomed ship perished and that only ten women were saved. Twice previously the Vestris had narrow escapes. In 1915 she arrived in New York from South America after evading the German cruiser *Karlruhe*. Four years later fire broke out in one of her holds, and the vessel put into Saint Lucia (British West Indies). The flames, however, were extinguished without serious damage to the cargo or injury to passengers and crew.

EMPIRE AGRICULTURE INFORMATION.

CLEARING HOUSE SCHEME DEBATED.

London, Dec. 6.
Mr. L.M.S. Amery, Dominions Secretary, stated in the House of Commons to-day that meetings of representatives of various parts of the Empire had recently been held in London to consider schemes for the establishment of an international clearing house of information on various branches of agricultural subjects, as recommended by the Imperial Conference. The recommendations had not, however, yet been received by the Governments concerned, so that he could not give details.—*British Wireless*.

RELIGION IN FRANCE.

Paris, Dec. 6.
The Cabinet has drafted the definitive wording of articles in regard to Church missionaries, allowing nine congregations to be established according to specified modalities.—*Havas*.

REGISTERED MAIL THEFT.

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ROBBERY ON TRAIN.

London, Dec. 6.
Postal officials are concerned over the mysterious disappearance of a mail bag, containing registered letters and bank drafts, which was one of a batch brought by mail train from Cardiff to London. The missing bag contained letters and drafts valued at £10,000, and there is no doubt that it has been stolen. No bags were missing when the train arrived at Paddington Station, and the police are of the opinion that the thieves concealed themselves in the mail van between Paddington and Mount Pleasant Sorting Office, during which time they managed to extract the letters and drafts. An empty mail bag has been recovered.—*Reuter*.

PUBLIC MOTOR-CAR DESTROYED.

CATCHES FIRE WHILE ON THE ROAD.

A public car, No. 230, in charge of an Indian driver, caught fire and was totally destroyed while out on the road in the early hours of this morning. It appears that the vehicle was returning to the city from Aberdeen, when, on nearing the Chinese Cemetery at Pokfulam, fire broke out in the radiator and spread to the body of the car, which in a short time was completely destroyed. The driver, Nawab Khan, escaped without injury, later proceeding to the West Point Police Station where he made a report of the accident.

FOUR EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGES.

ARRESTED CHINESE IN COURT.

The police have arrested Lo Kung-pak, for whom a warrant was obtained some time ago in connection with the alleged embezzlement of about \$2,000 from the Kwong On Yuen firm. When the defendant was brought before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning, Mr. F. E. Nash, who prosecuted, asked for a week's remand in order to go into the details of the case. He informed the Magistrate that there was a possibility of further charges being brought against the defendant. The charge against the defendant is that he embezzled from the complainants on various dates, this year, sums of \$1,000, \$200, \$200 and \$413. The defendant has two other aliases namely, Lo Pak-wai and Lo Cheong Lee, and at this morning's hearing he was not legally represented.

CHINA'S LATEST TREATIES.

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The Provision.

While stating that the article will be operative on January 1, 1930, it goes on to state: "Before such date the Chinese Government will make detailed arrangements with the Italian Government for the assumption by China of Jurisdiction over Italian subjects. Failing such arrangements on the said date, Italian subjects shall be amenable to Chinese laws and jurisdiction from a date to be fixed by China after having come to an agreement for the abolition of extraterritoriality with all the Powers signatory of the Washington Treaties, it being understood that such a date shall be applicable to all such Powers. "By Powers signatory of the Washington Treaties shall be meant those Powers, other than China, which directly participated in the discussion of Pacific and Far Eastern Questions in the Conference on the Limitation of Armament held in Washington in 1921-22."

PANAMA CANAL GOVERNOR.

New York, Dec. 6.
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